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# A TRAGIC MYSTERY.

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### CHAPTER XVII.

THE END OF A CLUE.

That same evening, at an earlier hour, the Shambling Man had called at the Central Office, and been admitted to a private interview with Inspector Byrnes.

The inspector judged from his face that he had brought some news with him.

"What is it about this time?" he inquired with a smile. "Have you cleared up Colonel Desmond, or have you identified the pawn-ticket forger, or both?"

"I think I have got what will bring us to the end of this business," replied the other, producing his note-book from his pocket, and referring to it occasionally as he spoke. "My first object was to find out about the ticket forgery. I went up to Sibley's and asked them whether they remembered what customers were in the office at or about the time when the silver cigarette case was pawned. They got out the books and memoranda, and we all three examined them carefully. The number of the ticket given for the cigarette case was 983. The number just before that was for a silk-lined overcoat; the other number—984—was for a silver watch. One of those two must have been given to the man we were after. The overcoat had been pledged by a man named Carl Schnabel: he was known at the shop, having been there several times before. He was an actor in one of the small German theatres, and was not likely to have undertaken such a job. Besides, he must have entered the shop and transacted his business before the man with the cigarette case came in; and it was not probable that he could have stayed around afterward long enough to discover what the next customer was doing. Moreover, Sibley, who had attended him, was positive that he had left as soon as he got his money.

"It was No. 984, then, was it?" said the inspector.

"That conclusion seemed inevitable. The name of this man, as recorded in the book, was Robertson—John Robertson, and the address as 1280, Broadway. Neither Sibley nor the clerk, Isaac, could remember anything about him at the moment. I told them to try and recall him to mind, and meanwhile I made a trip to 1280, Broadway; and found, as I expected, that no person of that name was known there.

"I came back to Sibley's; and this time the clerk, Isaac, thought he recollected something. He said that Sibley had attended to the cigarette case (as we already knew), and that it was while that transaction was going on that the fellow calling himself Robertson had come in. Sibley differed with him on that point; he thought that no one else had been in the shop at the time he was examining the cigarette case. But he may easily have been mistaken on that point; he was a good deal impressed by the appearance and behaviour of his customer, and would be apt not to notice anything going on at the moment. Isaac's evidence was positive, and carried the greater weight. I asked him to describe his man, and he said that he was young, and had a fresh complexion; could not remember whether his face was clean-shaven or not; had noticed something peculiar in his speech—a foreign accent: not German, nor French: but he did not speak his words the way an American would. It wasn't Irish, either. It occurred to me that it might be English, and I spoke a few sentences in the English style; and Isaac said he thought that was more like it."

"A fair-complexioned young Englishman? Robert Johnson would answer that description well enough," observed the inspector, thoughtfully.

"That is just what struck me!" cried the Shambling Man, with a gratified air. "And then another idea came to me; there had been something familiar all along in the sound of that name—John Robertson. All at once I said to myself, 'It's Robert Johnson, of course, with the John and Robert transposed; just the sort of pseudonym he would be likely to adopt at a moment's warning!' I felt certain, then, that I was on the right track."

"However, I hadn't proved it yet. I went straight over to Jersey City, found Johnson's lodgings, and asked to see him. The landlady said he was at his business in New York, and wouldn't be out till late. I chatted with her about him, and she gave him an excellent character. I asked whether he came home regularly every evening, and she said he did, as a general thing; he had occasionally stayed away a few nights at a time, but not often. 'Holidays, and that sort of thing, I suppose?' I said. She answered that the longest time she remembered of his being absent was about New Year's; he had gone in town on Friday, and hadn't come out till the following Monday night. Well, that just covers the period of the murder, and the pawning of the cigarette case!"

The inspector nodded approvingly. "That will take the wind out of his *alibi*, if he should want to establish one," he observed.

"Yes! but I wasn't through with him yet. It was one o'clock in the afternoon when I got down to Jersey City Ferry. I telegraphed from there for Isaac to meet me at the Astor House, at two. He was on hand, and we went together to the Printing and Engraving Company's building. I got permission to walk through, with my friend, to see how things were managed. I told him, if he saw anybody like John Robertson, to let me know it.

"Nothing happened until we got into the press-room. I looked about, and saw Johnson talking to the foreman. I made no sign; but after awhile, Isaac looked over there, and as quick as he set eyes on the man, he touched my arm. 'That's him!' he said. 'That's the fellow that pawned the silver watch! I'd know him anywhere!'"

"Good!" said the inspector. "You managed that cleverly. There seems to be little doubt that Johnson was the man who forged the ticket. But how do you account for his having done so? What could have been his object?"

"Well, I reason this way," replied the Shambling Man. "Johnson must be the enemy of Colonel Desmond, and he must, at the same time, be acting as if he were his friend. The colonel has no suspicions of him, and yet he has evidently been working against the colonel. He came from England less than a year ago, and got a position in the colonel's office. That looks as if he may have come over, or been sent over, with designs against him. Now, the colonel is an Irishman, and some of his proceedings are a little mysterious. When I was at the French ball the other night, the cabman, McBride, put me on the track of him, and I followed him about. He wore a red domino, and there were four or five others dressed much in the same way. I saw him exchange signals with these persons, and finally they all met together behind the scenes. I managed to get near enough to hear some of their conversation. The other men were all Irishmen, and from what I could gather, they were talking about England, and about some documents and transactions that puzzled me—for I was expecting something about the murder. All at once it seemed to me that they might be members of some secret organisation; and since they were all Irishmen, what could it be but a Fenian organisation?"

"Humph! There might be something in that notion!" remarked the inspector. "Well?"

"Well, just then there was an accident; one of the flats broke down, and the crowd scattered. I could learn nothing more then. But I kept thinking about it, and my idea is this: Robert Johnson is——"

At this point the Shambling Man was interrupted by a knock at the door. A sergeant came in and whispered to the inspector, whose face expressed surprise. "Bring him in here," he said to the sergeant; and, turning to the Shambling Man, he added, "Here is Robert Johnson himself!"

In fact, that gentleman entered a moment later, and greeted the chief of detectives respectfully.

"I have some information to give you, inspector," he said; "it concerns myself, and some other persons as well; and I have reason to think that it may be of service to you. Shall I speak before this gentleman?" indicating the Shambling Man.

"Yes," the inspector replied. "He probably knows more about you than I do, already."

"I have no doubt he knows a good deal," returned the other, "and to tell you the truth, that is the reason I am here. I am aware that I have been shadowed since I first appeared before you; and I am satisfied that, sooner or later, you will find out whatever I might wish to conceal; so I have made up my mind that my safest way will be to make a clean breast of it beforehand. Besides, I think I can clear up some misunderstandings, into which I have fallen myself, and which would be apt to perplex you, as well."

With this exordium he told his story, the substance of which is here set down.

He said that his name was really Robert Johnson, and that he was an Englishman. He was an employé of the English Secret Service. (At this, the Shambling Man nodded his head significantly, as much as to say that he had already arrived at that conclusion). He had been dispatched to this country in order to watch the proceedings of Colonel Hugh Desmond, who was believed to be a prominent member of the Fenian Brotherhood. A number of despatches and documents had fallen into the hands of the English authorities; they were known to be of Fenian origin; but they were all written in cipher, the key of which was believed to be in Colonel Desmond's possession. It was Johnson's mission to find out whether this were the case, and, if so, to use every means to obtain the cipher and transmit it to England.

One reason why Johnson had been selected for this enterprise was because he was an expert engraver, and it was known that the colonel was at the head of a printing and engraving concern in New York. Thus he would be enabled easily and without suspicion to establish personal relations with the man he was to deal with. Everything fell out as arranged. The colonel and Johnson soon became on good terms, which the latter strengthened by professing a strong sympathy with the Irish cause. Gradually, the colonel admitted him into his confidence. Though never, of course, making any direct violations as to the doings of the Brotherhood, he treated the young man as one who might by-and-bye be himself admitted to it. Johnson, for his part, had already indicated a cordial willingness to do so.

Partly in order to provide himself a foothold in the colonel's private house, and partly on other and more obvious accounts, Johnson brought about the engagement of Lizzie Pond as companion to Mrs. Desmond. Without letting Lizzie entertain any suspicions as to his real objects or the nature of his employment, he continued to keep himself, by her means, tolerably well-informed of everything that went on in the house. He convinced himself that Mrs. Desmond was not privy to the colonel's proceedings. She was simply a beautiful woman, with a genius for music and a love of all æsthetic delights, and with no head for politics or business.

For various reasons, however, he had become convinced that the cipher, which was the chief object of his search, was in the colonel's possession: and he taxed his ingenuity, but for a long time without result, to discover where he kept it. He reasoned that it must be easily accessible; and yet it must be so placed that no one but the colonel would be likely to get track of it. At length he touched a clue, which proved to be the right one.

On a certain day, the colonel, as Johnson had learned, was to attend a meeting of some of the leaders of the Brotherhood; and it was on this day that he entrusted the Englishman with the note to his wife, requiring her to bring him his cigarette case. This note Johnson carried to the chief of the English secret service in New York, and there opened it. Its purport seemed so odd, that they decided to follow up the hint there given.

But Mrs. Desmond's failure to follow out her husband's instructions brought about a hitch in their plans. The cigarette case appeared to have been lost: where was it? Through Lizzie, Johnson arrived at the conclusion that Mrs. Desmond had given the box away to Hanier. The scene, witnessed by himself and Lizzie, between Hanier and Mrs. Desmond, seemed to give ample motive for such gifts; while the colonel's undisguised anxiety respecting the whereabouts of the box confirmed the idea that there must be "something in it." Lizzie's subsequent account of the domestic explosion suggested that Mrs. Desmond had confessed her intrigue to her husband; and the midnight expedition to Hanier's was readily explicable as having for its object the recovery of the box. But the murder was an unexpected complication.

Johnson went on to say that, from the circumstances within his knowledge at that juncture, he had been persuaded that the colonel was guilty of Hanier's death. There was sufficient motive, in Hanier's complicity with Mrs. Desmond, and in his possible discovery of the contents of the cigarette case; and, again, the colonel had been at Hanier's just before the murder, and might have returned there in time to commit it. Meantime, Johnson described the means whereby he had obtained the cigarette case from the pawnbroker—a transaction in which his knowledge of engraving had stood him in good stead. Having got the cipher, he had transmitted it, through the New York agent, to the English authorities. The cigarette case he had afterward attempted to pawn elsewhere, as the easiest means of getting rid of it. This had led to his arrest by the inspector, who had issued orders to all pawnbrokers to detain anyone who might present himself with the article in question. He then referred briefly to his adventures at the French ball, and to the mistake into which he had been led by Lizzie Pond's having put on the costume which he had prescribed for her mistress.

"Am I to understand," interposed the inspector at this point, "that you are prepared to bring a specific charge of murder against Colonel Desmond?"

"If you had asked me that question yesterday," Johnson replied, "I should have said yes, very decidedly; but to-day, I still more decidedly say no!"

At this reply, the inspector lifted his eyebrows; while the Shambling Man half started from his chair, and then, restraining himself, fixed his gaze upon the Englishman with such intensity that his eyes seemed to meet across the bridge of his nose and become one.

"Yesterday," continued the narrator, "was the first day since the French ball that I have been able to speak with Miss Lizzie Pond. I attempted to do so once or twice before, but she had refused to see me, because, as I inferred, she was angry with me for having endeavoured to get a hold upon Mrs. Desmond, and for being, myself, not a simple engraver, as I had led her to believe, but an agent of the English secret service. This morning, however, I succeeded in obtaining an interview, the result of which was to put the conduct of the colonel and his wife in quite a new light.

"As you are already aware, Mrs. Desmond is a French lady; but you may not have heard that, at or about her twentieth year, she made her début, with great success, on the operatic stage, under the name of Mdlle. Spinalba. After appearing in France and Germany for a year, she accepted an engagement in England, and sang in Covent Garden in London. She was there seen by an Irish-American gentleman, Colonel Desmond, who fell in love with her, and married her. She was wedded under her stage name, which he supposed to be her true one: and she never revealed to him the fact that she was the daughter of a French tradesman, and that her brother was a manufacturer of liquors, by the name of Louis Hanier."

"Her brother!" faltered the Shambling Man, in a husky voice. "I see it all now."

Johnson went on to relate how Colonel Desmond and his wife came to live in New York, and how the latter one day discovered her brother, friendless and in need. She had feared to confess her relationship with him to her husband, who was a man of strong aristocratic prejudices, and who had always supposed his wife to belong to a family of blue blood, though impoverished. But she compromised matters by engaging him as butler in her house; and he might have remained in that position until this day, had not her husband observed a familiarity between Hanier and Mrs. Desmond which he considered unbecoming, and which led to his discharging the butler at short notice. By Mrs. Desmond's assistance, however, he was enabled to rent and stock a small wine shop; and from time to time she gave him sums of money and other presents. At her request, as a measure of precaution, Hanier never informed his wife of the fact that their benefactress was his sister. The colonel, on the other hand, was ignorant that his wife held any communication with Hanier.

So matters went on until the preceding Christmas. Mrs. Desmond had been shopping on Christmas Eve; but, on returning home, found that she had forgotten to purchase anything for her brother. It was too late to go out again, and she was unwilling to leave him without a remembrance on that anniversary. She then remembered having seen a silver cigarette case lying about in her husband's drawers; and, as he did not smoke, and seemed to place no value upon it, she had concluded that he would not notice its absence. With what followed the reader is already acquainted.

The unexpected emotion with which the colonel had received the news of his loss, and his stern and persistent questioning, finally had the effect of causing her to make a complete confession. Her husband's astonishment at learning that Hanier was her brother had been great; but after the first shock of surprise was over he had accepted the situation in much better part than she had feared. He even announced his intention of doing everything in his power to improve Hanier's position, and to help him on in the world: but meanwhile he pointed out the urgent necessity of recovering the cigarette case without delay. As no messenger was to be trusted on such an errand, it was decided that Mrs. Desmond should go in person; and in order to avoid remark the visit should be made after Hanier had closed his shop for the night. These, and other precautions, were due to the colonel's apprehensions that the cigarette case and its contents should be scented by the English emissaries whom he knew to be on the watch in New York. His secrecy was unavailing, as the one man whom he did not think of suspecting followed him and his wife to the wine shop, and drew his own conclusions from what he saw there. The colonel had taken a revolver with him in the hack, as a measure of precaution, and, on receiving the cigarette case, had put it in his pocket, removing his revolver for that purpose; and when he left the hack he had forgotten to take the weapon with him, and it remained on the seat.

The next morning came the news of Hanier's murder. Mrs. Desmond was, naturally, terribly agitated, and at her passionate entreaty the colonel accompanied her to Twenty-sixth-street. But the crowd of people there, and the policeman standing guard at the door, made it evident that they could not view the body without a publicity which might prove detrimental, as it certainly would be useless: and he prevailed upon her to return home. The next morning he pawned the cigarette case, his purpose in so doing being, as the inspector had surmised, to put it in a perfectly safe place, where, nevertheless, he could get at it whenever it might be necessary. How his expectations were disappointed we know.

"It only remains to say," added Johnson, "that the colonel is known not to have left his house after returning to it with his wife just before the murder, on the testimony of Miss Pond and of two servants. Besides, with the discovery of his wife's relationship to Hanier, every possible motive for making away with him disappeared. I have myself had an interview with the colonel, in which I told him the facts about myself which you now know, and it is at his request that I have made this statement here. He will confirm it if required to do so. Perhaps I ought to say that I have made up my mind to leave the English secret service and take up my residence here as an American citizen. I have for some time been particularly interested in Miss Pond, and hope to marry her; and she has made this the condition of accepting my proposals. I have accomplished the mission I set out to perform, and I am now satisfied to retire. And that, gentleman, is all I have to say."

"Well," said the inspector, turning to the Shambling Man, "there is no obstacle in the way of finding out the truth so troublesome as a false scent. Mainly by your exertions, this one has been completely disposed of, and you will have full credit for your energy and ability. The other clue remains; and I am firmly convinced that that will lead us to the solution of this mysterious affair."

(To be continued.)

## RENOVATING THE HANDLES OF TABLE-KNIVES.

Something may be done to improve all ivory handles if these have become discoloured. Cleaning with turpentine is considered useful in such cases; but if the mark proves obstinate it will be necessary to remove the surface and repolish the soiled part. To do this, scrape the place with a knife until the stained ivory is cleared away, though of course it is useless to go too deep. If the handle becomes uneven in the process it should be levelled with a file or fine rasp, after which all scratches must be obliterated by careful use of the finest glass-paper, which will give a smooth surface. It is now ready to receive the final polish. Take a piece of soft rag and rub a small patch of it with dry soap (ordinary yellow soap will do), then scrape some whiting on to it, crushing out any lumps; press it down smoothly with the fingers to make it adhere to the soap, and then rub the ivory firmly till a good gloss is obtained. If bone has to be dealt with, proceed in the same way, but chalk must be substituted for the whiting.—From "Work" for December.

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### HOW YAXLEY LABOURERS ARE EDUCATED.

A correspondent writes:—"A week or two ago a Yaxley correspondent sent you a *resumé* of the meetings which had been held at Yaxley in connection with the Parish Council and the active part which had been taken in the matter by a Mr. C. W. Ablett, who was described as a quack phrenologist, generally spoken of in the district as the 'Bump Feeler,' who, it was stated, spent the summer months in touting for business on the beach at seaside resorts, [and, it might have been added, the winter months in turning his poor old mother's mangle. This gentleman had the presumption to give what he styled a lecture on "Scenes in Wales" at the club room of the Lion Inn on Monday evening. If there be anything in phrenology, which is quite an open question, and the local 'bump-feeler' had practised his art (sic) upon his audience he would have found that in nearly every case the bump of 'credulity' was very fully developed, or surely they would never be led by the nose by this shallow-brained nonentity as they have been during the last few weeks, and thus become the laughing-stock of the district. However, the farce was enacted with all the solemnity which characterises tea fights at the 'Little Bethel,' with a chairman by the name of John Buckenham, who would have been far better at home studying the Act which he aspires to administer as a District and Parish Councillor. After the Chairman had indulged in some incoherent remarks, the empty 'jawster,' by way of beginning, said that reports which had reached people here about Wales were as false as the statements which appeared in a certain newspaper a short time ago. But he knew the country and people, as 'he had been there, and still would go'—had seen them on the spot. Here is a sample of the utterances of this apostle of Radicalism, which must satisfy the curiosity of our readers. The petition against Disestablishment in Wales was signed by old women and little children, said the speaker. Of course this is not fair, and the Home Secretry ought to be made acquainted with this. Churches were being built, for what purpose he did not know, for the people did not all go to church; they preferred their chapels. The BISHOPS ARE A GREAT EYESORE; they are receiving their £15,000 a-year, and he wondered whether St. Paul got so much, or whether he drove a horse and carriage. But grapes out of reach are always sour. He informed his hearers that when he was a Ritualist he believed in the Establishment, but now he was a changed man. He goes further and assumes prophetic powers, and says it will come as the song says, 'by-and-bye.' A parson was singled out as getting £900 a-year, and only three persons attended the church, his wife, the clerk, and an old woman. Names and places were left to the imagination of the audience, who consisted chiefly of the parish councillors and the reporters. Whether this sort of tirade will satisfy the agricultural labourers time alone must tell; but something must be done to amuse them and keep them together, as the Labour Federation seems to be growing cold and dead, and the general election is within measureable distance. But what about the abuse poured forth upon employers of labour; upon men on whose purses the great majority of the villagers depend for a livlihood, to sit and be told that the Tories (in other words, their masters) are their enemies, opponents, are false, are not to be trusted, not even in the smallest matter. And not one had the courage to get up and say, I'll make a stand for my employer. I am one that do not look upon him as an enemy, but as a friend. I am glad to work for him and gain an honest living. A murmur is heard in the distance. So long as masters can find good, solid cash they can find good, staunch Englishmen who will not be bought or sold for the proverbial mess of pottage. The proceedings were brought to a close by the audience singing 'He dunno where 'e are' and other classical (?) ditties."


## WHICH LEG BROKE DOWN?

Any stool will stand on three legs, but not on two. There must at least be three points to balance.

The three legs a human life stands on are these—blood, brains, and breath. Or, as the doctors put it, the circulation, the nerves, and the respiration. Let one of these three legs fail and we fall.

Yet, unlike the legs of a stool, the three supports of a human life are connected together. When one weakens it weakens the others. If a man's blood is bad his brains and breath will suffer. And so if the fault is with the brains or the breath. They are a kind of Trinity—three phases of one life—one life running threw three channels. And how strangely they blend or part.

Listen to this: "*If any one knocked at the door,*" says a woman, "*it would startle me and set my heart fluttering and thumping until I could not breathe.*" Here were the nerves, the blood, and the breath combining to make mischief. What leg of the three weakened first? To find this out we shall have to ask her to tell more of her experience and then draw a conclusion.

We quote from a letter of hers dated August 18th, 1892. We read her words with interest, for we cannot say when her trouble may be our trouble. "It was at Michaelmas of 1880," she says, "that I first felt low, weak, and weary. My mouth tasted badly, and I was oppressed with a gnawing, sinking feeling at the pit of the stomach. I could eat but little, and what I did eat gave me a sense of pain and fullness at the chest and sides. Also I had a great pain at the heart and palpitation, and brought up a nasty sour fluid into my mouth.

"In January of the next year I removed to a house in Thurlow Road, which was damp; I took cold, and my trouble grew worse. At first I had a dreadful cough which gave me no rest night or day, and almost shook me to pieces. The fits of coughing would last for two or three hours at a time, and I would retch and throw up frothy phlegm until I was sick and exhausted. After a time my breathing became so difficult I had to be propped up in bed, and for hours I would lie gasping for breath. I had night sweats so bad that my linen and pillows were wet in the morning. Owing to the cough and the shortness of breath, I got little or no sleep at night for weeks together and could barely stand or walk about.

"I struggled on as best I could, my neighbours kindly assisting me. I got so nervous that if anyone merely knocked at the door it would set my heart fluttering and thumping until I could not breathe. People said I had consumption, and would never get well. I had lost all faith in doctors and physic, and did not care how soon the end came.

"While in this condition and fast drifting to the grave (in May. 1881), my husband heard of Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup and persuaded me to try it. Without a particle of confidence that it would help me I began taking it nevertheless, and in a few weeks my appetite returned and my food digested and strengthened me. The tide had turned. Soon the cough, the night sweats, and the palpitation left me. Presently I was WELL;—oh! none but those who have suffered as I did know what that word means. I thank God I took Mother Seigel's Syrup. It surely saved my life. You may publish what I say if you choose, and I will gladly answer inquiries. I am a dressmaker, and have lived in this neighbourhood twenty-eight years. (Signed) Mrs. H. Radford, Great Bradley, near Newmarket, August 18th, 1892."

What is the inference from these facts? Which leg of the stool first gave way in this case? The blood. But not of itself. The poison of a disorganised and distempered stomach entered the circulation, disturbed the heart and lungs, and set up the other alarming symptoms. There was no organic heart disease, no consumption. Yet how many (doctors, too) are thus deceived. The remedy she finally used did away with the cause—indigestion and dyspepsia—and recovery followed.

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## FOOTBALL NOTES.

[BY HALF-BACK.]

The Saint Helen's men were again occupying the turf at Portman Road on Saturday, their visitors on this occasion being the Woolwich Rugby Club, who, it may be remembered, paid them a visit last season. Only twelve men, however, put in an appearance, and this, of course, gave the "Saints" a big advantage. The redoubtable "Dick" Powell, of the Orwell Works, was requisitioned for the occasion, and, as might well be expected, did the major part of the three-quarter back work, scoring three of the four tries obtained during the game. After waiting an absurdly long while over the advertised time for starting, the patience of the meagre crowd were rewarded by one of the feeblest exhibitions of the game seen upon the ground for some time.

Of course, the famous "Dick" was requisitioned upon every possible opportunity, and he did not neglect to take full advantage of his chances, his individual play being the most attractive feature of the match. With three more men amongst the Woolwich team he would probably have found the try-getting business a little more difficult. The place kicking of the "Saints," too, was execrable, in fact, almost childish; the passing was poor in the extreme, and the half-back play worthless. The one redeeming feature of the Ipswich team's play was the tackling, which was certainly smart, the visitors' three-quarters never seeming to have the least chance. In this department also the visitors shone to best advantage, whilst their kicking was also commendable. I have come to the very reluctant conclusion that the St. Helen's Club is in a very bad way just at present.

"Mudlarking" is the title which best befits the Ipswich Town and Framlingham College match on Saturday. The "Stripes" were somewhat poorly represented, being without Ratcliff, Oxborrow, and Walford, whose places were filled by Purser, Furber, and Green. The recent rain had rendered the ground very sloppy, and the quality of the play suffered in consequence.

The Town team, this afternoon, should have met the Yarmouth Artillery upon the Portman Road ground. The soldiers, however, have scratched, being obliged to replay their final tie in the Norfolk Charity Cup competition with the Norwich C.E.Y.M.S., which was drawn last Saturday. Harwich and Parkeston, however, have come to the rescue, and will doubtless give the "Stripes" a good game, and one well worth seeing. Walford and Woods will be unable to play this afternoon, and the Town team will probably comprise Cornell, Bailey, Fisk, Haward, Turner (capt.), Murrell, Oxborrow, Kent, Ratcliff, Towns, and Catchpole.

Three matches took place in the North Suffolk League on Saturday. The two Beccles teams—the College and the Caxton—met for the second time, upon the ground of the former. On the first occasion the Collegians made a highly creditable draw of the game upon the Caxtonians' ground, but on this occasions they were somewhat unfortunate. At the interval the score was one all. However, shortly after the re-start one of the College backs became disabled, and this weakness let in the printers, and scoring again from a free kick close in goal, they won by three goals to one. Leiston obtained their first point in the competition by drawing with Bungay Chaucer Press, at Leiston. The game is reported to have been a good one, and the score, 1—1, would certainly indicate a tough struggle. The remaining match was at Saxmundham, where Halesworth were doubtless somewhat surprised to find the home men in astonishing form. So much so that when the whistle sounded for the final truce the visitors were beaten by no less than five goals to *nil*. This is the worst defeat the Halesworth men have yet sustained in the competition. The revised table to date is given below:—

| | Pld. | Won. | Drn. | Lst. | Goals For | Goals Agst. | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kirkley | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 7 | 6 |
| Chaucer Press | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 3 | 5 |
| Beccles Caxton | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 5 |
| Beccles College | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 6 | 5 |
| Saxmundham | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 7 | 2 |
| Halesworth | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 2 |
| Lowestoft Town | 4 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 9 | 14 | 2 |
| Leiston | 4 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 11 | 1 |

Only one match took place in the West Suffolk League, which made no alteration in the respective positions of the clubs. It was the meeting of the two Haverhill clubs, the Rovers and the Town, and the result was that the first-named club met with their first reverse in the competition by four goals to one. This match, therefore, leaves the Bury Alexandrians with the enviable distinction of being the only club yet unbeaten. They, however, have a very tough game in front of them to-day, when they will have to meet Long Melford on that club's ground.

Was ever ill-luck so persistent as that which attends Ipswich Town in the English cup competitions? Never since the first year of entering have they secured the privilege of choice of ground in any of their matches, and, again, after vanquishing the C.E.Y.M.S, at Norwich, are they drawn on the wrong side of the list. Peterborough has the choice of ground, and I scarcely think it likely that they will be induced to forego their advantage. That being the case, the Town will have to make the long journey to Peterborough, and they should certainly endeavour to catch the quickest train in the early morning so that they may have an hour or two of grace to get the cramp out of their limbs.

The Suffolk County Association Handbook has just been forwarded by Mr. Pretty, and I must remark upon the many improved features of the little work. The most noticeable amongst these is a capital photo of Mr. G. S. Sherrington, the President of the Association, which is accompanied by an interesting sketch of his career in the football world. "A Few Hints to Players" will be found very useful to followers of the sport, and a short but interesting article is given on "Football and Leagues." Amongst a list of the county matches will be found one against London, which will probably take place next Wednesday, and another with Notts County, the English Cup holders, on March 26th. The inter-'Varsity Rugby match on Wednesday was a splendid struggle between the rival Blues for supremacy, and the result leaves that question as much in doubt as ever. The Cantabs still hold the balance of the wins, although they were unable to improve their record this year.

Sunderland, playing at home on Saturday, scored a big win over Small Heath in a League (first division) match, the final result being no less than seven goals to one in their favour. Everton, on the same afternoon, was also occupied at home, their opponents being the Bolton Wanderers. The Liverpool men also maintained their high reputation by a win of four goals to one, and the race for the first place continues as keen as ever between the "Wearsiders" and the "Toffies." Aston Villa, for the second time within eight days, inflicted defeat upon the famous Blackburn Rovers, this time at Perry Bar, the final score reading 3—0. The results of the remaining matches were as follow, the first-named being the home clubs:—Stoke were defeated by Sheffield Wednesday, 2—0; Sheffield United and Liverpool played a drawn game; Notts Forest beat West Bromwich Albion 5—3; and Burnley beat Preston North End 2—1. On Wednesday, at Derby, the County were defeated by Burnley, the score being 2—0. The table, revised to date, is given below:—

| | Plyd. | Won | Lost | Drn. | Goals For | Goals Agst. | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Everton | 15 | 11 | 1 | 3 | 50 | 22 | 25 |
| Aston Villa | 18 | 11 | 6 | 1 | 44 | 23 | 23 |
| Sunderland | 13 | 10 | 1 | 2 | 41 | 13 | 22 |
| Burnley | 16 | 8 | 5 | 3 | 29 | 20 | 19 |
| Preston North End | 17 | 7 | 6 | 4 | 28 | 27 | 18 |
| Blackburn Rovers | 16 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 28 | 27 | 17 |
| Sheffield United | 16 | 7 | 6 | 3 | 28 | 29 | 17 |
| Sheffield Wednesday | 14 | 8 | 6 | 0 | 26 | 25 | 16 |
| Small Heath | 16 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 34 | 43 | 16 |
| Notts Forest | 14 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 27 | 29 | 15 |
| West Bromwich Albion | 15 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 29 | 31 | 13 |
| Wolverhampton W. | 16 | 4 | 8 | 4 | 24 | 34 | 12 |
| Stoke | 14 | 3 | 8 | 3 | 18 | 33 | 9 |
| Liverpool | 17 | 1 | 9 | 7 | 23 | 44 | 9 |
| Bolton Wanderers | 16 | 2 | 10 | 4 | 21 | 35 | 8 |
| Derby County | 13 | 2 | 8 | 3 | 16 | 31 | 7 |

The Second Division matches were seven in number on Saturday with the following results:—*Manchester City 3, Bury 3; *Newton Heath 5, Burton Swifts 1; *Burton Wanderers 1, Notts County 0; Leicester Fosse 3, *Walsall 1; *Woolwich Arsenal 4, Darwen 0; *Grimsby Town 5, Crewe Alexandra 0; *Lincoln City 6, Burslem Port Vale 1. Played on the grounds of the clubs marked*. There being no mid-week matches the table revised to date is as follows:—

| | Plyd | Won | Lost | Drn | Goals For | Goals Agst | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bury | 16 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 47 | 20 | 27 |
| Grimsby Town | 15 | 11 | 4 | 0 | 52 | 26 | 22 |
| Newton Heath | 13 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 34 | 19 | 18 |
| Notts County | 14 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 30 | 21 | 18 |
| Woolwich Arsenal | 13 | 7 | 4 | 2 | 32 | 31 | 16 |
| Darwen | 14 | 7 | 5 | 2 | 31 | 14 | 16 |
| Burton Swifts | 14 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 27 | 26 | 15 |
| Newcastle United | 14 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 34 | 43 | 13 |
| Burton Wanderers | 12 | 5 | 6 | 1 | 17 | 20 | 11 |
| Leicester Fosse | 12 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 28 | 27 | 11 |
| Lincoln City | 11 | 5 | 6 | 0 | 26 | 34 | 10 |
| Walsall | 13 | 5 | 8 | 0 | 20 | 32 | 10 |
| Manchester City | 14 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 36 | 40 | 10 |
| Rotherham Town | 14 | 4 | 10 | 0 | 28 | 35 | 8 |
| Burslem Port Vale | 12 | 2 | 9 | 1 | 9 | 31 | 5 |
| Crewe Alexandra | 11 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 10 | 42 | 2 |

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DEATHS.

ACKERS.—2nd December, at Great Wenham, John Ackers, maltster, aged 93.

BELL.—4th December, at Juan les Pins, near Cannes, Alfred Bell, late of Ipswich, aged 66.

BALDWIN.—6th December, at Great Grimsby, David Baldwin, late of Walton, the beloved father of Mrs. M. A. Pawsey, Bramford Road, Ipswich, in his 71st year.

BULL.—5th December, very suddenly, at 53, Treherne Road, Brixton, London, Hannah, the beloved wife of Richard G. Bull, and third daughter of the late John Mountain, of Yoxford.

BUTTON.—At Denton, Sarah, the beloved wife of William Rodwell Button, aged 75.

BUMSTEAD.—10th December, at Lacey Street, Ipswich, Ethel Winwood, elder daughter of William and Susannah Bumstead, aged 3 years 11 months.

COATES.—6th December, at Bank Terrace, Stowmarket, Stanley William, son of William Edward and Anna Maria Coates, aged 26 days.

CULLUM.—2nd December, at Hollesley, James Jeremiah Cullum, formerly of Shottisham, aged 80.

DOUBLE.—5th December, at Erwarton, William Double, eldest son of Alfred Double, of Erwarton, aged 29 years.

DALBY.—9th December, at 9, Plough Street, Ipswich, Thomas, the beloved husband of Sarah Dalby, in his 62nd year.

FELLINGHAM.—11th December, at Eye, Mary Fellingham, widow, aged 92 years.

GARROD.—11th December, at Needham Market, Eleanor Garrod, the beloved wife of John F. Garrod, in her 73rd year.

GILBERT.—10th December, Ann, wife of James Gilbert, nurseryman, Ipswich, aged 77.

HARRISON.—6th December, at Wortham, Maria, eldest daughter of the late Charles Harrison, Esq., aged 74.

HUNT.—7th December, very suddenly, at Avon View House, Evesham, Marianne, the wife of George Hunt, J.P., and sister of Edward Nicklin, Bank House, Ipswich.

HEFFER.—28th November, at the residence of his brother, at Thorndon, Robert Heffer, aged 64; deeply regretted.

HARVEY.—8th December, at 36, Newson Street, Ipswich, Sarah, wife of the late Edgar Wm. Harvey, formerly of Bury St. Edmund's.

LEWIS.—6th December, at 3, Alderman Road, Ipswich, John, the youngest son of John and E. S. Lewis, aged 1 year and 9 months.

LAWN.—11th December, at Halesworth, John Lawn, in his 74th year.

LAST.—10th December, at Walton, May, the only and dearly-loved daughter of Henry Arthur and P. E. Last, late of Ipswich, in the third year of her age.

MOORE.—1st December, at Southwold, Lucy, widow of the late Mr. William Moore, in her 76th year.

NORFOLK.—12th December, at Yew Cottage, Little Stonham, Robert Norfolk, aged 74.

PEARSONS.—12th December, at the East Suffolk Hospital, Ipswich, Ann, wife of William Pearsons, aged 70 years.

RAYNHAM.—11th December, at Barningham, Mr. Thomas Raynham, in his 80th year; for 22 years bailiff on the Hall Farm in that parish.

READ.—2nd December, at Hepworth, after a long affliction, John Read, aged 76.

SKITTER.—6th December, at Capel St. Mary, Edmund Charles, the beloved husband of Edith Emily Skitter, and second son of the late Thomas James Skitter, in his 25th year.

SPYVEE.—8th December, after a long affliction, Mary Ann, the beloved wife of Robert Spyvee, Stowupland, Suffolk.

WYLIE.—11th December, at 49, Orford Street, Ipswich, John Wylie, late of Kilmarnock, aged 80 years.

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## MORTALITY IN IPSWICH.

An Abstract of the Return of Deaths for the week ending Saturday, December 8th, 1894.

Foxhall Road—diphtheria, 2 years, male.
Felixstowe Road—diphtheria, 10 months, female.
Grove Cottages, Whitton—diphtheria, 7 years, male.
Warrington Road—typhoid fever, 26 years, male.
Austin Street—premature birth, 25 days, male.
Tanners Lane—debility from birth, 1 day, male.
Alderman Road—bronchitis, 21 months, male.
Bramford Lane—bronchitis and convulsions, 18 months, female.
Whitton—bronchitis, 67 years, male.
Tooley's Almshouses—bronchitis, 69 years, female.
Dove Yard—pneumonia, 4 years, male.
Cardinal Street—cachexia, 36 years, female.
East Suffolk Hospital—tubercular disease and meningitis, 53 years, male.
York Road—rheumatic arthritis, 38 years, male.
Fore Street—liver disease, 51 years, male.
Borough Asylum—general paralysis, 39 years, male.
Helena Road—apoplexy, 67 years, female.

Males, 12; females, 5; total, 17.
Annual death-rate in Ipswich for the week 15·0 per 1,000.

GEORGE S. ELLISTON,
Medical Officer of Health.

The Registrar-General reports the annual rate of mortality last week in 33 great towns of England and Wales averaged 20·2 per 1,000. The rate in Norwich was 29, and in West Ham 17.

HOUSEHOLD ACCIDENTS.

These are occurring hourly. Either a child is burnt or scalded, its finger cut or bruised, perhaps bitten by a dog, scratched by puss, or it may be a fall, a strain, or one of the thousand vexatious troubles cropping up in the home, in the business, the stable, the hunting field, barracks, on shipboard, the playground, and in the sporting world—from cycle to steeplechase. It is then that HOMOCEA shines. Apply in all cases freely, and in a very short time all pain is allayed and healing begins. Any night baby may have an attack of croup, and just a quarter teaspoonful given internally acts like a charm; also for rubbing the throat and chest HOMOCEA is useful. Again, what father or mother does not know what it is to be awakened by a child crying with earache or toothache. Fill the ear with HOMOCEA, or rub the gums, and if the tooth is decayed, put HOMOCEA in, and the business is done.

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## HOW THE WORLD WAGS
### IN EAST ANGLIA.

### ITEMS PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL, PITHY AND PERTINENT.

TOLD BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.

*** Districts will be found alphabetically arranged. All Church news usually placed under this heading will be found arranged under the special heading of "Church Notes and News."

ALDEBURGH: BILLIARD HANDICAP.—A successful termination of a billiard handicap took place at Aldeburgh on Monday evening, at the Brudenell Hotel. The champion cue was won by Lieut.-Col. Smyth, whilst the massive salad bowl was taken by Mr. Henry Starling.

BECCLES: INVITATION TO A PASTORATE.—On Sunday, at the Congregational Chapel, a requisition was very numerously signed inviting the Rev. W. Heather, of Caterham, to accept the pastorate of the church.

BECCLES: SEQUEL TO A MISCHIEVOUS ACT.—On Sunday morning the congregation at Beccles parish church was alarmed by an escape of steam from the heating apparatus. Fears of an explosion asserted themselves, but quietude was speedily restored by the simple expedient of turning off a tap which had been turned on by one of the Sunday School children while playing with it.

BECCLES: VOLUNTEER PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.—The annual prize distribution to members of G and H Companies (Beccles) took place on monday evening. Lieut.-Col. Crowfoot presided. Capt. Larkman, in his annual statement, said he was pleased that no non-efficients had been returned, to a great extent owing to the kindness of employers in letting their men get away, often at great inconvenience to themselves. The total number of efficients was 129, and the present strength of the corps was 133. Of this number 64 had attended every drill, and 15 others had missed only one drill. A miscellaneous entertainment followed the distribution of prizes.

CHARSFIELD: FAILURE OF A BAKER.—Thomas Waspe, baker, Charsfield (late of Tunstall) again appeared at the Ipswich Bankruptcy Court on Thursday.—The deficiency was £89 12s. 6d., debtor attributing it to loss of flour through dampness of bake-office, and to loss of a horse. Examination closed.

COMBS: INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT.—On Tuesday a successful concert, arranged by the Rev. F. Girling, took place in Mr. Webb's School in aid of the funds of the Instrumental Band. The band, under the leadership of Mr. R. J. Vince, took part in the proceedings, and songs were given by Mrs. Waller, Misses Minnie and Connie Prentice, Messrs. Morris (Ipswich) and W. Fison. Mr. H. W. Turner recited.

DEBENHAM: ENTERTAINMENT LAST NIGHT.—Yesterday evening an entertainment was given in Sir Robert Hitcham's Schoolroom, when the following programme was successfully carried out by the pupils of the school, assisted by the mistress and staff of teachers:—Glee, pupils; recitation, Jane Taylor; song, Little Children; "A laughing song," pupils; reading, Alice Gillings; glee, pupils; recitation, Mable Peck; rounds, pupils; plantation song, solo part, Ella Barker; "A song of Influenza," pupils; song, pupils; recitation, Louisa Mortimer; song, pupils; song and dance, eight pupils; musical drill, sixteen pupils. Farcical sketch, "The Absent-minded professor." Characters:—Professor Williams, E. Barker; Professor Marston, Miss Page; Britannia Doubleday, Florence Hatcher Miss Willoughby, E. Mortimer; Geraldine, M. Rumsey; Annett Sybil, Corner. The vocalists and accompanist acquitted themselves in a thoroughly satisfactory manner, and received frequents outbursts of applause from a large and appreciated audience, and much credit is due to the Misses Erskine for the trouble they have taken in training their pupils.

DISS PETTY SESSIONS: ANTI-VACCINATORS SUMMONED.—At these Sessions on Wednesday, James William Fairweather, blacksmith, Bressingham; Chas. Fairweather, Fersfield; Horace William Lincoln, Bressingham; James Noble, Bressingham; Charles Garwood and Walter Hart, Roydon, were charged by Mr. J. Vertigen, vaccination officer of the Guiltcross Union, with neglecting to have their children vaccinated. Mr. Cleverly, of the Anti-Vaccination League, defended. An order, with costs, was made in each case.—The two Fairweathers were also summoned for disobeying vaccination orders, but, owing to an informality, one was dismissed and the other withdrawn. Fresh summonses were afterwards issued.—Albert Batley, Bertie Batley, and William Shepherd, three lads, were charged with wilfully damaging a blacksmith's shop belonging to Arthur Reeve, at Roydon, and each was ordered to pay 9s. damages and costs.—John Turner, labourer, Diss, pleaded guilty to stealing a stone of coal, value 6d., the property of Frederick Cole, Diss Heywood, on November 30th. Sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.—William Eaton Carter, farmer, Burston, was ordered to contribute 3s. per week towards the support of his aged mother, now chargeable to the Depwade Union.—Fredk. Gaymer and Dawson Leggett, Diss, lads, were charged with trespassing in pursuit of conies at Frenze, and were each fined 5s. including costs.—Arthur Rush, labourer, Wortham, summoned for trespassing in search of game, did not appear. A penalty of £1 including costs was imposed.

EAST BERGHOLT: VILLAGE AFFAIRS.—Mr. Wibby will captain the newly formed St. Mary's Church Football Club. The Rector has kindly given permission for them to practise in the Rectory grounds.—The Hon. Mrs. Halford has, with her usual generosity, sent handsome prizes for sewing and knitting to the girls attending the National School, and also Christmas presents to the church choir boys. The girls' prizes consist of dress materials, &c.; the choir boys receive money awards. The presents will be distributed at the scholars' annual entertainment next week.

EYE: RENT AUDIT DINNER.—The Eye Corporation annual rent audit dinner took place at the White Lion Hotel on Tuesday evening, when host Lewell again won golden opinions by his excellent catering. The Mayor (Ald. H. Gedny) presided with his accustomed geniality. Several gentlemen were unavoidably absent, the most noticeable being the Town Clerk (Mr. Fra. Woolnough), whose old position as vice-chairman was well filled by Ald. H. W. Cullum. After dinner a varied and comprehensive toast list was dealt with, interspersed by excellent music and singing by a talented trio composed of Messrs. A. Gooderham, H. Burrow, and J. Fox, and also by members of the company. The town servants were at the same time amply and well provided for in another part of the hotel.

FRAMLINGHAM: SINGULAR FALL OF WHEAT.—On Monday, as Mr. C. Studd, of the firm of Messrs. Creasy and Co., and their maltster, were just leaving a granary in their occupation, and owned by Mr. T. T. Buckmaster, they were startled by a tremendous crash, they only managing to get out of the building in time to prevent a disaster. About 100 coombs of wheat on the top floor fell through the ceiling and on to the malt floor, mixing wheat, barley, and malt together.

FRAMLINGHAM: POLITICS AND TEA.—On Wednesday evening about 120 persons sat down to a tea at the Foresters' Hall, consisting of the workers at the recent Liberal tea meeting held at the Castle. The evening was spent in a free and easy sort of manner, with songs and duets at intervals by the following:—Mrs. Bennett, Misses Clow, Fairweather, Casley, F. Fairweather, Read, Mr. C. P. Dowsing and Mr. C. Wright. Mr. R. Lambert acted as chairman.

FRAMLINGHAM DISTRICT TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.—A meeting of the members of this Association was held in the Boys' School, on Saturday. The subjects taken were, "Varied Occupation," "Drill," and other extras inserted in the coming Code, which were fully discussed. Opinion was general that educationally these were just the things wanted to make school life happy to teachers and scholars; yet, as long as the present curriculum was enforced, and no extra pecuniary rewards were held out by the Educational Department, varied occupation, &c, would be found impracticable. A resolution was passed to this effect. Mr. Adams, of Brandeston, addressed the members on his dismissal, which is considered by the law officers of the N.U.T. to be illegal. A vote of sympathy with Mr. Adams was passed.

GRUNDISBURGH: COTTAGES DESTROYED BY FIRE.—Late on Sunday night Mr. Fred. Motum noticed a blaze issuing from the chimney of a cottage occupied by John Halls, a widower. The house adjoined another tenement occupied by John Choet and his wife, and but for Motum's promptitude the inmates of this double tenement would probably have been burnt in their beds. With great difficulty Motum aroused the occupants and the neighbours opposite. Halls escaped by a window, with only his shirt on, and in doing so fell to the ground. Police-constable Chapman was soon on the spot, and, with the neighbours, rendered all the assistance possible. Nearly all the furniture, which is uninsured, and wearing apparel were destroyed; while the property, which is covered by insurance, was totally destroyed.

HADLEIGH: MUTUAL IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY.—At the weekly meeting on Monday the evening was devoted to "Stray Leaves," being a series of subjects upon interesting topics, contributed by anonymous writers.

HADLEIGH YOUNG MEN'S FRIENDLY SOCIETY kept its annual festival on Wednesday. A special service was held in the church at six o'clock, when an instructive address upon "Childishness" was delivered by the Rev. C. E. Oliver. Tea was afterwards served in the parish rooms, the tables being presided over by Mrs. Spooner, Mrs. Stephenson, and Mrs. Oliver. Later an entertainment took place in the Infants' School, to which the following contributed:—Very Rev. E. Spooner, Mrs. Harriss, Mr. W. A. Thorpe, Miss Spooner, Miss J. Verlander and Mr. Harriss, Mr. C. Herbert, Messrs. F. Grimsey and A. W. Harriss, Miss Spooner, Mr. H. Fromant, Mr. C. Herbert, and Mr. H. Allen.

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HALESWORTH: POLICE AMBULANCE.—The members of the police force in the Halesworth and Beccles district have recently undergone courses of lessons in ambulance, Dr. P. J. De Nyssen being the lecturer under the Technical Instruction Committee of the East Suffolk County Council. On Thursday last an examination of the members of the force in these districts took place in the Halesworth Court House, by Mr. G. S. Elliston, M.R.C.P., of Ipswich, but the result has not yet been made known.

HALESWORTH: FREEMASONS' LODGE.—The "Prudence" Lodge, No 388, was on Monday honoured by the addition to its membership of the Right Hon. the Earl of Stradbroke. The ceremony took place in the Masonic Hall, brethren from long distances and neighbouring lodges being present. The initiation was conducted by Bro. Geo. Andrews, the W.M., Bro. T. Stevenson, S.W., Bro. D. W. Skuffham, J.W., and Bro. H. A. Mullens, I.G., the musical portion of the ceremony being ably taken by Bro. W. W. Walesby. Forty of the brethren afterwards sat down to a banquet at the Angel Hotel.

HALESWORTH: INSTITUTE CONCERT.—A concert in connection with the Institute Library took place at the Rifle Hall, on Thursday evening last, when Mr. A. J. Orford, the hardworking and energetic secretary, spared no pains in getting together a well-arranged programme, and which, needless to say, was much appreciated by those present. The ladies and gentlemen who took part in the programme were:—Mrs. Warwick, Miss M. Barker, Miss E. Chilvers, and Messrs. W. C. Tuck, R. Price, L Howard, D. W. Skuffham, R. Titlow, G. H. Blackmore, F. W. Emuss, H. E. Ling, J. Foreman, H. Saul, Master H. Andrews and Master James Kent. The duet by Messrs. Howard and Skuffham, entitled "Money Matters," created roars of laughter. The result of the concert must be very gratifying to the Secretary, as about £6 will be handed over to the library funds.

HARKSTEAD: DEALER FINED FOR CRUELTY TO HORSES.—Frederick Suckling, dealer, of Harkstead, appeared before the Samford Bench on Tuesday, summoned by Inspector Blake Jones, of the R.S.P.C.A., for cruelty to two horses. On December 1st, Sergeant Hopes met a couple of horses at Freston drawing a timber carriage in charge of a couple of lads. The trace horse, on examination, was found to bear a wound an inch and a quarter in diameter on the off shoulder, while there was a nasty wound over the right eye, which was excessively tender. The other horse, a black mare, was more ill-conditioned, and was suffering from several wounds. One on the back, equal to the size of a five shilling piece, caused the poor beast much agony. Later in the day the officer saw the horse drawing a load of faggots, when he discovered a wound on the side of the mouth.—Inspector Jones said both animals were suffering from old sores, and the bay mare the defendant said he bought at Spurling's Saleyard a fortnight previously for 37s. 6d. The black horse the defendant had borrowed from a friend.—A fine of 10s. with 10s. costs was imposed, or 14 days' hard labour.

IPSWICH: ORIENT SWIMMING CLUB.—Mr. F. Poppy has been elected hon. secretary of this club in succession to Mr. Frank Wade, who has left the town.

IPSWICH: SUCCESSFUL POULTRY EXHIBITORS.—At Stratford Poultry Show, Mr. W. Fenn, of Ipswich, was awarded first and special for black-red bantam cock, and second prize for hen of the same kind. Mr. Thomas Fenn, of Freston, won first with a pile bantam hen, and third prize for black rose-comb bantam cock.

IPSWICH: A NEW CATTLE TROUGH has been erected on the Foxhall Road through the instrumentality of the Band of Mercy, which body has received valuable financial help from Mrs. Byles, Hill House, Mr. J. D Cobbold, Misses Roberts, Mr. Cowell, Mr. G. A. Biddell, Admiral Mason, C.B., the Misses Moore, Mrs. J. P. Cobbold, Capt. Pretyman, Dr. Rowe and Mrs. Elliston.

IPSWICH: A MONEY LENDING TRANSACTION.—On Wednesday, at the County Court, Mower Gray, marine store dealer, Stoke, sued Fredk. Suckling, innkeeper and dealer.—Mr. W. Marshall appeared for plaintiff, who claimed £3, balance of money lent, and there was a counter-claim for use of stabling, which, however, plaintiff said he had on the understanding that defendant took the manure. He had used the stable over two years and had never been asked for any rent.—Judge Eardley Wilmot said the counter-claim was evidently an afterthought, and judgment would be for plaintiff on the claim and counter-claim.

IPSWICH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.—Members of this incorporated Chamber met in the Town Hall on Tuesday afternoon, Mr. W. A. Churchman presiding over a small attendance, composed of Messrs. W. Alexander, J. F. Titchmarsh, J. W. Seager, Etheridge Curtis, with the hon. secretary (Mr. H. C. Casley). It was decided to continue the subscription of five guineas to the School Board Evening Continuation Classes. In his application for the subscription, the clerk (Mr. J. H. Hume) stated that the number of students was already greater than in any other session. The annual meeting was fixed for Friday, January 4th.

IPSWICH: THE LATE MR. E. P. BRAND.—The service at Turret Green Baptist Church on Sunday evening had special reference to the death of Mr. E. Pumfrett Brand. A thoughtful and eloquent sermon on the "Transitoriness of life" was preached by the Rev. W. E. Blomfield, who took for his text Psalm xc., 9, "We spend our years as a tale that is told." Mr. W. J. Wightman (the organist) played as an in-voluntary, "I know that my Redeemer liveth," and during the offertory, "O, rest in the Lord." The crowded congregation (many persons were unable to obtain admission) remained standing while the "Dead March" in *Saul* was given after the sermon. Chopin's "Marche Funebre" was rendered as an out-voluntary.

IPSWICH: PEDESTRIANISM GONE MAD.—A novel though inelegant sporting match was concluded at Ipswich on Saturday afternoon. Mr. E. Hawes' whippet dog was backed to run 200 yards against George Hudson, a member of the Orwell Works Football Club, the latter receiving 85 yards start. The ground selected was the road between Mr. Botwood's Carriage Works and the Golden Key, on the Woodbridge Road. The man and dog were placed on their respective marks, before a select company, and at the signal both went in good style, the man maintaining the lead to a short distance from the finish, when his canine opponent managed to get in front and won by about half a yard. And the affair, the promoters state, gave satisfaction to all concerned.

INTERMENTS IN IPSWICH CEMETERY.—Friday: John H. Whymark, 38 years, Holy Trinity; William Whistlecraft, 39 years, Holy Trinity; Elizabeth E. Newson, 36 years, St. Nicholas. Saturday: Walter A. Cordey, 4 years, St. Helen; Edmund Hurnard, 75 years, St. Mary-at-the-Elms. Monday: Harriet E. Cook, 69 years, Shirehall Yard; Thomas Youngman, infant, St. Clement; Alice M. Flegg, 1 year, All Saints. Tuesday: John Lewis, 1 year, St. Peter. Wednesday: Sarah Harvey, 58 years, St. Matthew; Hannah Rosher, 22 years, St Michael; Gertrude F. Flatt, infant, Holy Trinity. Thursday: Elizabeth H. Lambly, infant, St. Clement; Ethel W. Bumstead, 3 years, St. Michael; Thomas S. Dalby, 62 years, Holy Trinity; Sarah Foreman, 53 years, Woolwich.

IPSWICH: ALARMING COLLISION ON THE WOODBRIDGE ROAD.—An alarming collision occurred on Wednesday forenoon, when Messrs. W. Fraser's van, drawn by a pair of spirited cobs, came into collision with a trap driven by Mr. Canham, jun., at the Mulberry Tree Inn corner of the Woodbridge Road. Mr. Canham was coming from the Rockery to St. Margaret's Street, and accidentally ran into the van, throwing the driver (named Fuller) to the ground, the wheel passing over his leg. Mr. S. Offord, who was standing at his door at the time, immediately rushed to the cobs' heads, and succeeded in stopping them, but not until Fuller had been dragged as far as the Marquis of Cornwallis Inn.

IPSWICH: CRUELTY TO A BULL.—Benjamin Page, a drover, living at the Portobello, Orwell Street, was charged at the Borough Police Court, on Monday, with cruelty to a bull.—Inspector Blake Jones, of the R.S.P.C.A., prosecuted.—Thomas Strond saw defendant driving three bullocks on the Cattle Market, on Tuesday, one of which he struck on the hock with his stick, and caused it to walk lame immediately.—Police-constable Johnson noticed the same animal walking very lame while going across the market.—The Inspector said defendant had received frequent warnings as to cruelty to animals. The blows many animals received from drovers frequently caused numerous joints to be unsaleable.—The defendant pleaded not guily, saying that the animal walked 17 miles to Ipswich on the Tuesday, and in returning again at night traversed the same distance.—A fine of 10s. and 14s. 6d. costs was imposed.

IPSWICH: MASONIC INSTALLATION.—The anniversary meeting of "St. Luke's" Lodge, No. 225, was held on Wednesday evening, at the Freemasons' Hall, when Wor. Bro. George Abbott, P.M., P.P.G.S.B., was installed Worshipful Master for the ensuing year. The installation ceremony was performed by W. Bro. A. R. Trew, after which Bro. Abbott invested his officers as follows:—I P.M., W. Bro. H. Cockrell, P.G.S.; S.W., Bro. S. Skerritt; J.W., Bro. H. C. Rance; Treasurer, W. Bro. J. Talbot, P.M., P.P.G.S.B.; Secretary, W. Bro. J. Napier, P.M., P.P.J.G.D.; S.D., Bro. W. Rumsby; J.D., Bro. G. Senton; D. of C., W. Bro. A. W. Cook, P.P.G.S., P.P.G.P.; I.G., Bro. H. Roberts; S. Steward, Bro. J. Lord; Asst. Stewards, Bros. E. B. Lewcock and W. J. Leggett; Tyler, Bro G. Gould.

IPSWICH: "OLD IPSWICH CORNER POSTS"—Speaking on this interesting topic at a sale of work at St. Mary Stoke, on Friday, in aid of the funds of the Sunday Schools, Dr. J. E. Taylor drew attention to such of the carved corner posts as still remain. Among those he described was that at the bottom of Foundation Street, between it and the Half Moon public-house. He first of all showed that these carved posts served the same purposes at the time they were fixed that such papers as *Punch* do now. They were caricature-histories of passing events. Thus, that in Foundation Street, known as the "Fox and Geese," represents an old fox preaching to a number of ganders, while a young fox is running away with the goslings. He deplored the fact that people had not been conservative enough to protect and preserve these most interesting historical relics. Dr. Taylor related how he had many years ago found the low-relief wooden carvings of the Ipswich Old Market Cross in a pawnbroker's shop, and had purchased them for our Museum, where they could now be seen.

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IPSWICH HARRIERS.—These harriers held a handicap race of six miles on Monday evening, for which 22 members started. The course was out by the London Road and home *via* the Hadleigh Road, and the distance was traversed in the fastest time by C Pearce, who completed the journey in the excellent time of 35 mins. 11 secs. The finishes were:—H. Cockrell, 3 mins. start, nett time, 36 mins. 26 secs.; F. Paternoster, 2 mins. 45 secs., 36 mins. 22 secs.; W. Day, 3 mins. 30secs., 37 mins. 22 secs; C. Pearce, 1 min., 35 mins. 16 secs.; J. Rogers, 1 min., 35 mins., 37 secs.; A. Bugg, 2 mins., 36 mins. 46 secs.; E. H. Southgate, 1 min. 30 secs., 36 mins. 38 secs.; J. R. Last, 5 mins., 40 mins. 14 secs.; H. J. Bridge, 3 mins. 30 secs., 39 mins. 6 secs.; B. Leech, 3 mins. 30 secs., 39 mins. 7 secs.; A. P. Southgate, 7 mins. 15 secs., 43 mins. 3 secs.; K. Smith, 5 mins., 40 mins. 56 secs.; R. R. Thurlow, scratch, 35 mins. 57 secs.; F. E. Belcher, 6 mins. 30 secs., 42 mins. 18 secs.; F. E. Baker, 2 min. 45 secs., 39 mins. 16 secs.; A. A. Wobey, 4 mins. 15 secs., 41 mins. 1 sec.; E. Palmer, 4 mins. 15 secs., 41 mins. 1·5th sec.; W. Harris, 6 mins., 43 mins. 26 secs.; O. Johnson, 3 mins. 45 secs., 41 mins. 12 secs.; F. Clarke, 6 mins. 30 secs., 44 mins. 6 secs.

IPSWICH: A SUCCESSFUL DACHSHUND FANCIER.—*Land and Water* contains two illustrations and the following interesting pedigree of two celebrated dachshunds, Janita and Champion Jackdaw, owned by Mr. Harry Jones, C.E., of Ipswich:—"Janita, 36511, is a very beautiful red bitch with a lot of quality. She has had a brilliant show career, having been exhibited four times, as follows:—At Portsmouth, 1893, first open, first novice, special for the best in open novice and puppy class, and silver medal for the best in the show. At Guildford, 1893, first open class, first limit, special prize for the best in the limit classes, and silver medal for the best in the show. At Birmingham, 1893, first limit class, first open class, silver medal for the best bitch, and reserve for the 50 guinea cup, being beaten by Jackdaw. On each of these occasions she was placed above Champion Pterodactyl. At Birmingham, 1894, she won first winners, and second open class, being beaten by Belle Blonde. Champion Jackdaw, 20689, a very typical handsome black-and-tan dog, has had a most successful show career. He was whelped in July, 1886, and since the spring of 1887 he has been exhibited about 28 times, one-half of which has been at Kennel Club or Birmingham Shows. He has never been defeated, and has won upwards of 90 first and special prizes, medals, cups, and championship prizes. He has won the 50 guinea challenge cup no less than 12 times. This is a record for the breed."

LEAVENHEATH: A BAKER FINED FOR POACHING.—James Mattock, of Leavenheath, journeyman baker, was charged in his absence at Samford Sessions, on Tuesday, with trespassing in pursuit of game at Shelley. Early on the morning of the 28th ult., Wm. R. Crouch, gamekeeper, and his brother, Thomas Crouch, saw the defendant examining some snares that had previously been set.—A fine of £1 and £1 costs was imposed.

LAVENHAM: CHILD FOUND DEAD IN BED.—Mr. C. J. Gross, Deputy-Coroner for the Liberty of Bury St. Edmund's, on Monday held an inquest at the Black Lion Inn, relative to the death of William Bridgeman Waine, five months old, son of a licensed victualler. The child, which had been sickly from birth, refused to take its food on Friday. It slept in the same bed as its parents, and was found dead early on Saturday morning. The child was insured under a policy dated 3rd September.—Mr. Geo. Butters, surgeon, expressed his opinion that the child died from breathing impure air.—Mr. Silas Honeywell, surgeon, of Bildeston, called to give evidence by the father of the deceased child, said he thought death might have arisen from syncope, but he could not say positively. Possibly asphyxia might have caused death.—Verdict: "Death from natural causes."

LOWESTOFT: APPOINTMENT OF A REGISTRAR.—The Mutford and Lothingland Guardians, on Tuesday, considered applications for the appointment of registrar of births and deaths for the Lowestoft sub-district, rendered vacant by the death of Mr. C. T. Turner. The voting resulted in Mr. E. C. Allerton being appointed.

LOWESTOFT: SUPPOSED SUICIDE OF A MASTER BRICKLAYER.—Mr. C. W. Chaston, County Coroner, on Saturday held an inquest at Lowestoft, on the body of William Osborne, aged 58 years, a master bricklayer, whose body was washed ashore on the South Beach that morning.—Emma Gall, widow, living at 72, Denmark Road, said the deceased, who was her father, had fourteen months ago a severe attack of paralysis, from which he never recovered. During the last three weeks witness did not think he appeared fully responsible for his actions. On Friday he appeared better in health, and went with witness to the churchyard, returning home at a quarter-past four. Deceased then took off his overcoat and hat, and puting on an old hat, went into the back yard, which had an entrance to Tonning Street. That was the last she saw of him.—John Wall, a lad, said he was picking stones on the South Beach, when he saw the body floating face upwards in the wash of the waves.—Verdict, "Suicide during temporary insanity."

METHWOLD: FARMERS IN THE COUNTY COURT.—On Monday, at Thetford County Court, before Judge Price, Q.C., Thomas Barker, farmer, sued Walter Alger, also a farmer at Methwold, to recover £5 balance of account on the purchase of some sheep.—Mr. A. E. Day appeared for plaintiff, and Mr. Reeve, of Norwich, for defendant.—Plaintiff said that on the 4th October last he sold defendant 18 crones and two lambs for £21, and on October 8th he met him near the Bell Hotel, Methwold, and he said if he (plaintiff) would go in he would pay for them. They went into the house, where Alger gave him two bank notes doubled together, saying, as he laid them on the table, "Here's the money for the sheep," and he threw down a sovereign as well. Plaintiff put the notes in his pocket without examining them. When he got home he gave the notes to his wife, who at once carried them upstairs. The next day plaintiff discovered that the notes only represented £15 instead of £20.—Defendant persisted that he had made no mistake, but his Honour, summing up, urged Mr. Reeve to accept his suggestion as to the possibility of a mistake being made rather than risk a serious charge being made out against the defendant. Possibly the defendant might not have got the notes correctly from the bank, for although bankers held themselves infallible, he knew from personal experience they were not, as in one instance they paid him too much, but they would not recognise their error or accept the over-paid money. In the present case he was inclined to treat it as a matter of mistake on the part of defendant, for although there was a certain amount of negligence on the part of plaintiff and his wife, he could see they were patterns of domestic felicity, and he could believe their evidence. He should give judgment for the amount claimed with costs, as it was not right that plaintiff should lose both sheep and money.

SAXMUNDHAM: STERNFIELD ASSESSMENT REDUCED.—Another rate having been made by the Plomesgate Guardians upon the Sternfield Hall Farm held by Mr. J. A. Cobbald, the tenant appealed to the Assessment Committee on Monday last. Mr. A. F. Vulliamy, solicitor, who conducted the former appeal case, represented Mr. Cobbald, and after hearing his statement the Committee decided to reduce the assessment by £50. The former principal assessment was £170, which is now reduced to a gross one of £120 and nett £100. The rental of the farm is £120 gross, but with the tithe taken off, the nett rental is only £75 or £76, so that the assessment is still about one-third above the rent.

SIBTON: SCHOLARS' TREAT.—On Saturday afternoon the scholars of the Day and Sunday Schools, with their teachers and several friends, were kindly invited by Mrs. Ward to see the parlour play, entitled "Cinderella," which had been ably prepared by the young performers. It would be invidious to praise one more than another, as each one's part was played admirably, and brought forth frequent applause. Great praise is due to their tutors, the Messrs. Newell and Burnley. The prologue by Miss J. B. M. Dunsterville, introducing each performer's name in rhyme, was really good. The stage and scenic arrangements had been carefully studied, and the intervals between the acts and changing of scenery were enlivened by popular airs on the piano by Mrs. Clarke. The children will not forget the treat for some time, and on their behalf Mr. Gilbert thanked Mrs Ward for her kindness. Appended are the names of the performers:—The Prince, Miss Cecilia A. Brooke; Muley, Miss Rhoda Clarke; Baroness, Miss Vivien Holbrooke; Ulrica, Mabel Brooke; Charlotte, Gladys Brooke; Cinderella, Miss J. B. M. Dunsterville; the Fairy, Marian Turner.

SOUTHELMHAM ST. MICHAEL'S:—A FATAL FALL.—On Saturday, Mr. John Whatling, bricklayer, died from the effects of a fall from his cart on the 27th ult. Whatling was found lying in the road, and on being conveyed home Dr. Betenson discovered that his back was broken. He lingered on in suffering for ten days. At the inquest held before Mr. C. W. Chaston, county coroner, on Monday, Dr. Betenson, of Bungay, attributed death to congestion of the lungs due to fracture of the spinal column, probably caused by his falling backwards out of the cart. Verdict, "Accidental death."

SOUTHWOLD: FISHING OPERATIONS for some days past have been of a very favourable character, great quantities of sprats and cods being landed of unusually large size and quality. It is hoped the weather will continue fine, so that this local industry may be pursued with advantage, the fishermen relying on the autumn fishing.

SOUTHWOLD: INLAND REVENUE APPOINTMENTS.—The Commissioners of Inland Revenue have made the following promotion and appointments:—Mr. W. Winwood, second class officer, Southwold Station, Ipswich collection, promoted to be first class officer, Glasgow, seventh station. Mr. Winwood will be succeeded at Southwold by Mr. G. Feavearyear, officer of Hadleigh Station, who will be succeeded at Hadleigh by Mr. J. Shrives, assistant officer, London, East collection.

SPROUGHTON: INSTRUCTION IN HORTICULTURE.—A very successful course of lectures on Horticulture is now being delivered at Sproughton by Mr. G. Jordan, late of Harkstead, under the auspices of the County Council Technical Education Committee. There are nearly sixty names on the register of students, and the teaching is practical, popular, and well suited to the working-classes and allotment-holders, who appreciate the instruction given.

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STOKE-BY-NAYLAND: AFFAIRS OF A. C. MUDD.—On Wednesday, at Ipswich County Court, Mr. H. W. Jones, solicitor, made an application for the payment of £4, which he advanced to Albert C. Mudd, formerly farmer, of Stoke-by-Nayland, now a bankrupt.—Mr. C. H. Grimwade, of Hadleigh, opposed on behalf of the trustee, Mr. Postans.—Mr. Jones described the opposition as unnecessary, ungrateful, and ungracious, and contended that if he had not advanced the money to debtor, on whose behalf he filed a petition in bankruptcy the next day, the estate would have been injured. Mr. Jones had applied to the Official Receiver, but he said he had no assets.—His Honour remarked that Mr. Jones had made a voluntary payment; there was no legal binding upon him. Mr. Jones was in the same position as any other good-natured friend.—Mr. Grimwade submitted that it was a most dangerous precedent to establish that a bankrupt's solicitor could advance money on the eve of the filing of a petition.—His Honour said the application succeeded, and remarked that Mr. Jones advanced the £4 for immediate necessities, and as the Official Receiver did not repudiate the payment he must be taken to ratify it.—Costs were granted to both parties.

STONHAM PARVA: FIRE AT MESSRS. R. AND W. PAUL'S MALTINGS.—On Sunday afternoon the inhabitants of Stonham Parva were startled by an alarm of fire at the extensive maltings of Messrs. R. and W. Paul (Ltd.) The alarm proved to be only too well founded, and in a short time a considerable crowd had collected near the scene. It appears that about half-past two it was discovered that a mass of malt in the vicinity of the kiln had by some means or other caught fire, and was burning amid a dense smoke. The cause of the fire is not quite clear; one report states that it was occasioned by the overheating of the kiln, but this is denied in other quarters. Every possible precaution having been taken to exclude the draught, and to prevent the fire from spreading, the *employés* set to work with a will to extinguish the flames, which, despite all efforts, continued to increase. The maltings being in danger of destruction, the assistance of the Stonham Aspal engine was solicited, and the Stowmarket and Needham Market brigades were called out. The steam fire engine of Messrs. Packard, which had been lent to the Ipswich Corporation, was requisitioned, but its aid was not required. The local engine got to work at once, and every effort was made to conquer the fire, and so well did everyone work that by about six o'clock the flames were subdued. The Needham Market brigade arrived in time to render a little assistance, but the Stowmarket fireman got to the scene too late to be of any use, for the battle had already been won. A considerable quantity of malt was found to have been spoiled; it is computed that between 300 and 400 coombs were rendered unfit for use. Strange to say, very little injury was done to the building itself. A member of the firm owning the maltings, and Mr. Albert Ransen, the agent of the company in which they are insured, visited the scene of the fire on Monday and inspected the premises.

STRADBROKE SESSIONS.—William Bumfries, farmer, was charged by Inspector Simpkin, Stradbroke, with riotous behaviour on the highway at Fressingfield, on 13th November. Fined 5s. and costs 6s.—George Lancaster, yeoman, charged with drunk and disorderly conduct. Fined £2 and costs 19s. 6d.—Charlotte Lancaster, wife of George Lancaster, for being drunk, was fined £1, and costs 19s. 6d.

SUDBOURNE: POSTAL FACILITIES.—On Monday next the postal arrangements will be slightly altered. The letters by the midday mail will be delivered instead of called for.

STOWMARKET: BARLEY COMPETITION.—On Friday the sixth annual exhibition of barley in connection with Messrs. Prentice's competition took place at Stowmarket, and a fine lot of samples were on view. The judging was in the hands of Mr. Alfred Cressey, of Framlingham and Great Bentley; Mr. John Hy. Wrinch, of Ipswich; and Mr. W. W. Pallett, of North Walsham. Prizes were awarded. First prize, £20, to Mr. J. M. Place, Eriswell, Brandon; description of seed sown, Scotch Chevalier. Second prize, £15, Mr. Walter Noble, Creeting St. Peter, and third prize, £10, Mr. Charles Bridges, Stowlangtoft, Webb's Kinver Chevalier.

STOWMARKET: FREEMASONRY.—The brethren of No. 516, "Phœnix" Lodge celebrated their anniversary at the Fox Hotel, on Friday evening, when Bro. Frederick G. Hawes was installed Worshipful Master for the ensuing year. The installation ceremony was impressively performed by W. Bro. S. R. Anness, P.M. 376, P.G.S.W. The Worshipful Master invested his officers as follows:—I.P.M., W. Bro. G. R. Thurlow; S.W., Bro. F. C. Peecock; J.W., Bro. P. C. G. Hayward; treasurer, W. Bro. C. G. Hayward, P.P.G. Reg.; secretary, W. Bro. I. M. T. Anderson, P.M., P.P.G.S.B.; S.D., Bro. W. B. H. Godfrey; J.D., Bro E. J. C. Balam; D. of C., W. Bro. C. C. Tuck, P.M.; organist, Bro. W. Yallop; I.G., Bro. C. H. Harper; steward, Bro. G. F. Ormes; tyler, Bro. E. Barnard. The installation banquet followed.

STOWMARKET: CLAIM AGAINST THE LOCAL BOARD.—At the monthly meeting of this Board on Friday, Mr. J. Hayward presiding, Mr. P. C. N. Peddar attended, and produced the lease of the farm recently purchased by the Burial Board, now in the occupation of Mr. Josiah Matthew. He had made a valuation, and examined the lease and covenants. Mr. Matthew had sub-let some of the property.—The Chairman remarked that Mr. Matthew had no authority under the lease to sub-let. He was liable to do all repairs on the farm.—Mr. Peddar said if the lease was carried out the valuation (about £21) would not cover the liabilities and breach of covenants.—The Clerk stated that there was a balance of rent due to the Board of £15, and Mr. Matthew was under the impression that he was entitled to the valuation.—Mr. Peddar was instructed to go on with his valuation of repairs necessary, according to the lease, and report to the Board.—The Sanitary Inspector reported the town generally in a fair sanitary state. Two mild cases of diphtheria were reported in Lime Tree Place.—The Clerk had received a letter from Capt. Norman, of the Stowmarket Gun Cotton New Explosives Company, requesting payment of £34 expenses incurred in endeavouring to obtain pure water for the works.—The application was allowed to remain in abeyance.

STOWMARKET: DRAMATIC RECITALS.—On Saturday a number of ladies and gentlemen from Stowmarket and Ipswich, who take a deep interest in the welfare of Miss Isabel Rycroft—an accomplished young lady who had adopted this as her *nom de theatre*—assembled in the Old Bank House to hear a series of recitals. The party were cordially welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Dewhirst. By way of giving variety to the programme, selections of instrumental music were introduced, including violin solos, skilfully played by Miss Dora Prentice, and well-executed piano solos by Miss Connie Prentice. Miss Rycroft had chosen eight recitations, which called for well-contrasted differences of treatment and expression. Three were distinctly humorous—"The Doll's Romance," "The Story of an Old Maid," and "The Enchanted Shirt"; two were character sketches, "On the Landing," and "Street Arabs," and two were of more serious order, one being the well-known scene from "King John," between Hubert and Authur, and the other a touching monologue entitled "Jeannette: a Work Girl's Story." In all these efforts Miss Rycroft gave remarkable evidence of natural ability and careful training. The audience took great pleasure in these recitations, and echoed most heartily the vote of thanks proposed at the close by Dr W. W. Groome, as also his hope that Miss Rycroft may succeed in the dramatic profession.

STUTTON: SCHOOL CONCERT.—The scholars attending the National School in this parish, with the assistance of the teachers, gave a very successful concert on Friday evening to a large and attentive audience. All the children who took part in the programme aquitted themselves remarkably well, and several of their pieces were redemanded. The action songs, "Jolly Blacksmiths" and "Village Minstrels" by the boys, and "The Japanese Fan," "Merry Workers," and "The Bear" by the girls, were greatly appreciated. The girls also sang by themselves "God bless the little church around the corner" very sweetly. Master Archer Baker recited "The Village Alphabet," in which he made allusion to several local matters. The dialogue, "The Bet," and the duet "Fresh Fish" by the schoolmaster's sons were very amusing. Miss Elsie Pollard recited "An Oversight," Master James Pallant told the audience "What Jerry Caught," and Master Robert Whinney gave a juvenile speech. A dialogue, "Oddities," by Misses B. Garnham, R. Watts, and L. Munson, caused a good deal of fun. "Changing Places," a sketch in which six characters took part, was very successfully given. Miss Sylvia Gilder sang "A girls' best friend is her mother," Miss Grace Gladwell "Dorothy Sly," and Miss E. Browne "Gilbert's Well." The two latter also sang the duet "What are the wild waves saying." Mr. Findley Baker figured in the programme as "Poor Married Man." An amusing nigger sketch, in which "Bones," "Johnson," and "Tambo" discussed in negro style several personal topics, introducing the following songs, "Two little girls in blue" (H. Baker), "Little sister's gone to sleep" (G. Garnham), "I'm the pride of the family" (W. Ling), "Good Old Jeff" (H. Gosling), "Sneezing song" and "Twelve little niggers," concluded the bill of fare. The Rev. T. Hill Jones called for cheers for the teachers and children which were vociferously given. The concert realised £3 1s. 3d.

SUFFOLK ASSIZES.—The next Assizes for the county of Suffolk have been fixed for January 17th (Commission day). Mr. Justice Mathew will be the judge.

SUFFOLK REGIMENT.—Major Richard Thomas Edward Dowse has been appointed to succeed Colonel Glasgow in the command of the 1st Battalion Suffolk Regiment, Aldershot.

THETFORD: PETTY SESSIONS Monday.—Charles Hammond, charged by the Inland Revenue Commissioners with carrying a gun without a license on 26th October last, was fined 10s., including costs.—Edward Brookhouse, a tramp from Nottingham, was charged with vagrancy on Sunday and committed for three days' hard labour.—Charles Johnson, a ticket-of-leave man, *aliases* W. H. G. Hall, Henry Douglas Alexander, Dr. Douglas, and Henry Leslie, was again brought before the Bench charged with fraud at a Thetford public-house, under circumstances reported in our last issue. Prisoner reserved his defence, and having signed the depositions as Charles Johnson, he being the man answering a photograph in the possession of the police, he was committed for trial at the next Quarter Sessions.

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THETFORD GUARDIANS AND THE COUNTY RATE BASIS.—At the Thetford Board of Guardians on Friday, Mr. C. H. Fison in the chair, the Clerk reported receipt of a circular from the Norfolk County Council respecting the proposed bases for County Council rates, which for the Union amounted to £66,024, whereas the actual rateable value is only £64,142. It was decided to object to the overcharge.—The recent unofficial inspection of the Workhouse brought forth a letter from Mr. Preston-Thomas upon the subject, in which he asked whether the Medical Officer had at any time complained of any inefficiency in the nursing staff, also whether they had consulted the Medical Officer upon the report.—Mr. Fison said he, as chairman, had signed the doctor's book every Board day, and did not remember any complaint.—It was decided to refer the matter to Dr. A. Minns for explanations.

THETFORD: DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENT.—A first-class musical and dramatic entertainment was given at the Oddfellows' Hall, on Tuesday evening, to a large audience, by the boys of the Thetford Grammar School, assisted by several ladies and gentlemen. The first part consisted of a choice selection of vocal and instrumental music, which included:—Part song, "The Harvest Feast"; song, "Daddy," by Mrs. Hardy, of Barnham; pianoforte solo, by Mrs. Mayes Wigg; part song, "The ballad of Earl Haldan's Daughter"; part song, "Lullaby"; song, by Miss Fison (encored); violin solo, with pianoforte accompaniment by Miss Johnson, by Mr. Pratt, of Norwich (warmly encored); part song, "Jack Frost." The second part was entirely carried out by the boys, and testified to the thorough manner in which they are taught by the Rev. B. Reed, B.A., and his able staff. The piece was of a humorous character, entitled "Boots at the Swan." Characters:—Captain Friskly, Hopkins; Mr. Higgins, Foali; Jacob Earwig, boots of the Swan, Sudbury, m.a.; Pippin, Webster; Miss Cecilia Moonshine, Howard; Miss Emily Trevor, Goldsmith, m.a.; Sally Jenkins, Mears; and Betty the cook, Tatum.

TUDDENHAM: A NOTED GREYHOUND.—Of the 82 greyhounds recently put up for auction, one of the fastest was Mr. R. S. Pye's black-and-white puppy Tuddenham, by Pears' Soap—Busybody IX., from the Elmswell Kennel. This well-bred young hound took the highest honours at Witham, Swaffham, and Clacton, and, remarkable enough, has never been beaten. Tuddenham was bought in after some competition for 95 guineas, and is said to be good enough for the coveted Waterloo Cup.

TUDDENHAM: FUNERAL OF MR. D. HAGGART.—On Saturday, at Tuddenham, the remains of the late Mr. D. Haggart, steward to the Marquis of Bristol (whose death we announced last week), were interred in the north-east part of the churchyard. General expressions of regret were observable in the secluded village, and many persons had travelled long distances to pay a tribute of respect to the deceased. The coffin, on which were many choice floral tributes, was borne from the residence by six men employed on the estate. They slowly wended their way to the parish church. Following were a host of relatives and friends who formed a long procession. The venerable rector (the Rev. Ezekiel Sparke), who is upwards of 85 years old, with faltering voice impressively conducted the solemn service. On the coffin was a breastplate with the inscription—"Duncan Haggart, died December 4th, 1894, aged 59 years." Over a dozen floral tributes included a beautiful wreath deposited in the grave by the Rector, as well as wreaths from the widow and niece, and sympathetic offerings from Mr. and Mrs. Donaldson, and Miss McConchie, Bury St. Edmund's; Mr. W. Howlett, Newmarket; Mr. and Mrs. J. Booty, Mr. and Mrs. Maclaren, Mildenhall; *employés*, Herringswell estate; T. C. and Mrs. Payne, Little Horringer Hall; Mr. and Mrs. Hensby, Mr. and Mrs. Kendall, Mr. and Mrs. Pepper and family, M. J. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Pearl, J. Bloomfield, A. Pulley, and others. Mr. Haggart was formerly a churchwarden at Tuddenham, and at the time of his decease was an overseer. He was one of six fine Scotchmen who travelled from the North in Highland costume to be in attendance at the great Exhibition in Hyde Park, London.

WANGFORD UNION TENDERS.—The Guardians for this Union, on Monday, accepted the following tenders for the quarter ending March, 1895:—Meat, 5s. 9d. stone, Mr. G. W. Chase, Bungay. Bread, 7s. 4d. cwt., Mr. Geo. Bowes, Bungay. Flour: House, 10d. stone, and Beccles district, 11d. stone, Mr. C. W. Hadingham, Beccles; Bungay district, 11d. stone, Mr. N. W. Pells, Beccles. Miss Eliza Greencoe, of Hastings, was elected assistant nurse at the Workhouse.

WENHAM MAGNA: ASSAULT ON A MARRIED WOMAN.—At Samford Petty Sessions on Tuesday, Henry Goldsmith, deputy-manager to an oil company at Colchester, was summoned for assaulting Ada Folkard, wife of William Folkard, hawker, of Wenham Magna.—Mr. J. Mills appeared for the complainant, and Mr. E. P. Ridley for the defendant. The complainant's husband had had dealings with the company for two or three years. On the 30th November defendant took 200 gallons of oil to the complainant's, and during his stay Mrs. Folkard heard him threaten to thrash her husband. She confronted him, and a wrangle ensued between them in reference to an oil tank, when defendant slapped her face.—The complainant's daughter, Henrietta Folkard, corroborated.—Mr. Ridley submitted that the charge was a trumped up affair.—George Brown, who accompanied defendant, also denied the allegations.—Fined £1 and £1 0s. 6d. costs, or one month's hard labour.

WESTERFIELD: POSTAL ACCOMMODATION.—A second collection and delivery of letters at 2.30 on week-days has been established at Westerfield, and is very much appreciated by the parishioners.

WICKHAM MARKET: BRASS BAND DINNER.—A right jolly evening was spent at the Chaise and Pair Inn, on Tuesday, when the brass band had their annual dinner. With a genial chairman in Mr. Minter and a musical company, a very pleasant evening was spent.

WICKHAM MARKET: PLOMESGATE UNION AFFAIRS.—At the meeting of the Plomesgate Board of Guardians on Monday, Mr. G. Walker presiding, the number on out-relief showed an increase of 36, and the number of indoor paupers an increase of three, the respective numbers being 691 and 97; but the amount of relief showed a decrease of £3 4s. 2½d. By a resolution of the Board it was decided to call the first meeting of the Rural District Councillors at 10.15 on the 31st, and of the Guardians at 10.45 on the same day. Considerable satisfaction was expressed privately amongst the Guardians that most of the old members are returned without opposition.

WICKHAM MARKET TOWN CLOCK is in debt. It has not yet paid its doctor's bill, and in order to assist that venerable relic of past ages Mr. W. J. Whitmore spent much time in arranging for a concert to swell the funds. On Wednesday evening this event took place with very great success, and the efforts of Mr. Whitmore have been liberally responded to. A new piano has just been procured for the Foresters' Hall, and Mrs. W. J. Whitmore had the first opportunity of testing its powers. She chose De Gran's "La Pastourelle," and with much taste showed that the instrument could ably respond to her interpretation of the piece. Mrs. Christie sang "A Spring Song," and the old Scotch favourite, "Bonny banks of Lock Lomond," which was encored. Mrs. Whiteley's songs, "Ora Pro Nobis" and "Golden Ladder," were well received, as was also Mr. L. O. Keer's "Powder Monkey," and the quartette, "Good Night Beloved," by four choristers. Mr. Binyon gave a mandoline solo. But by far the "lion" of the evening was Mr. Neubronner, who, with "Private Tommy Atkins," and "Irish Jubilee" fairly convulsed the audience. He also gave a musical sketch, "Brown's Golden Wedding," which was vociferously applauded by all parts of the house. The entertainment closed with a pretty display of *tableaux* by over twenty children, whose charming dresses and natural attitudes showed that much trouble and time had been bestowed in preparation. Votes of thanks were given to the performers and to Mr. W. J. Whitmore for his diligence in providing so enjoyable a programme.

WOODBRIDGE PETTY SESSIONS, WEDNESDAY.—Wm. Beck, dealer, Charsfield, for allowing a pony to stray on the highway at Charsfield, on November 29th, was fined 2s. 6d. and 8s. 6d. costs.—Charles Manning, labourer, Alderton, was charged by John McIntyre, gamekeeper, Bawdsey, with using a snare to take game at Ramsholt, on land belonging to Mr. W. Cuthbert Quilter, M.P., on November 29th. The gamekeeper saw a hare hidden up with some straw and concealed himself near the spot to see who came after it. Defendant came with a basket, and was about taking the hare away, when the keeper asked him to give it up which he did, also a snare shortly afterwards. Defendant pleaded guilty, and was fined 10s. 6d. and 14s. costs.

WOODBRIDGE BOARD OF GUARDIANS.—At the weekly meeting on Thursday, Mr. W. P. T. Phillips presiding, a circular letter was received from the Local Government Board enquiring at how many parish meetings in the Union parish councillors had been elected without a contest.—The Visiting Committee again made a complaint as to the quality of the bread supplied to the Workhouse, but the Master said he could not say that the bread was not equal to sample.—The total number in receipt of out-relief was 678 (only 60 being classed as able-bodied) at an expenditure of £58 2s. 1½d., which compared favourably with the corresponding period of 1893.—Mr. J. Fincham, master of the Workhouse, was instructed to obtain the Christmas fare for the inmates as in previous years.

## BOW BELLS AND DRAGON.

Bow bells now number twelve, two having been added to the familiar ten in 1881. Of them, the large bell, was recast in 1738, the rest in 1762, replacing those celebrated by Pope in the familiar line, "Far as loud Bow's stupendous bells resound." Were not those in the old church heard at Highgate, when they rang out to the runaway lad, "Turn again, Whittington, Lord Mayor of London"? From the steeple, which is not improved by a projecting clock-dial, resounded nightly the curfew for the City, which, in the year 1469, was ordered to be rung at nine o'clock. On the steeple is a dragon; and a very important dragon it was, for, as Swift tells us, it was predicted of old that "when the dragon on Bow Church kisses the cock behind the Exchange, great changes will take place in England." This has been accomplished, as recorded by B. R. Haydon. In the year 1832 both these ornaments were taken down by the same man to be repaired, and were placed side by side in his yard; shortly after which the Reform Bill was passed.—From "Cathedrals, Abbeys, and Churches" for December.

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# The Ipswich Journal.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15.

THE RADICAL ROUT CONTINUED.

No more brilliant bye-election has been won by the Unionist party than Brigg. Indeed, the electoral history of the constituency ought to be studied by every political worker, for it shows what can be done by persistence in well-doing. In 1885 the Gladstonian majority was 2,053, the Conservative candidate polling only 3,590. Mr. RICHARDSON took up the running in 1886, when he put on 130 votes, and in 1892 his poll was further increased by 430. This continuous and unbroken record of successful action reached its climax on Saturday last, when Mr. RICHARDSON wiped out the last remnant of the Radical majority, and lifted the Unionist colours to the masthead with a poll of 4,377, against Mr. RECKITT's 4,300. The conversion to common sense of so many former adherents of the Radical cause is one of the most instructive and encouraging signs of the times. The result is due to many causes, but it may be safely said that the personality of the Conservative candidate, with his local knowledge, frank manner, and plain speech, had much to do with the victory, and he is to be heartily congratulated on the event. That Mr. RICHARDSON would have polled a larger vote if it were not for an episode of the campaign is pretty certain. But his success in the face of the fact that the battle was fought in the week of, and just after the holding in each rural parish of the first parish meeting under the Local Government Act of last Session, is doubly significant. This was in effect the trump card of the Liberal party, and it was played for all it was worth. The finest rhetoric was utilised in impressing upon the labourers the idea that in Parish Councils there was, indeed, a great charter of new liberties, and that to the beneficent Government now in power was due this new democratic privilege. In this week the village demagogue had the best chance of his life, for the pleasures of hope ought not yet to have been damped by the chills of disillusion. Notwithstanding this tremendous advantage, Mr. RECKITT's poll was 148 less than Mr. WADDY registered in 1892, and this in spite of the admitted fact that the labourers in the villages were supposed to be his main pillars of support. If they were not, the Liberal party relied upon a broken reed. If they were, then it is quite clear that other classes have been alienated by the policy of the Government.

HOIST WITH HIS OWN PETARD.

The latest intelligence from Brigg shows that this last proposition is established. The constituency is a composite one, and includes an important section of miners and artisans, as well as agricultural labourers. A considerable impression was made upon these men by the Unionist speakers, and this operated in Mr. RICHARDSON's favour. Then, in the rural villages, many old Nonconformist supporters of the Liberal party decided, in face of the new conditions of party warfare, to throw in their lot with the champions of Constitutional, as opposed to revolutionary, progress. And this is not merely on account of the crusade against the House of Lords, but because of the extravagant schemes and programmes which the agricultural labourer seems desirous of setting on foot under the Parish Councils Act. Here we have an interesting illustration of the Radical being hoist with his own

petard. In the desperate effort to set class against class he has effected a result which was totally unexpected. The political instinct of the Englishman with something to lose has, in fact, come to the rescue, and in this fact lies the main importance of the Brigg election. As a rule, bye-elections are not held up by the Conservative party as abiding object-lessons for the country, but, coming so soon after the Forfarshire election, the victory, in an essentially Liberal constituency of Lincolnshire, is one which cannot but be considered of the highest importance. What will the Government do? The avowed policy of Lord ROSEBERY has been to stick to office like barnacles, and persist in the attempt to harass all the established interests of the country, and finally to have a flare-up against the Upper House at the fag end of next Session. Lord ROSEBERY's speeches at Bradford and Glasgow lend unfortunate point to Brigg and Forfarshire. To have come before the country with a new policy of admitted revolutionary tendencies is in itself a circumstance of no ordinary importance. "The "revolution," said Lord ROSEBERY, was "more "important than any that had taken place "for two centuries"; and no sooner had he uttered these words than two Radical constituencies, one in Scotland and one in England, cry, "Hold! enough." Never was an egg more completely crushed than the Prime Minister's new party offspring at its birth. The Cabinet may cling to office and talk big about the programme for next Session, but the verdict of the "predominant partner" will reverberate through the constituencies for many a long day. It is the writing on the wall, and it will render absolutely ludicrous the proposed resolution against the House of Lords which was to have been proposed with such pomp and ceremony in the House of Commons. The startling events of the past month may have far-reaching effects upon the political situation. The Opposition now more than ever represent the true feeling of the country, and it will meet Parliament with a sensation of triumph which a discredited Government will find it very hard to discount. The tactics which Mr. BALFOUR announced at Nottingham last week have been amply endorsed by the Brigg electors, and it will be the duty of the leader of the Opposition to exhaust all the forms of the House to extort from the Government some practical idea of what their policy is with regard to the House of Lords, and to bring them as rapidly as may be to the bar of public opinion on that policy. There is doubt and division in the ranks of the Liberal party, and they may cling like criminals to the sanctuary of the Irish majority in the House. But this can only be interpreted by the country as an impotent confession of weakness and guilt, and the result will be a heavier disaster in the last resort.

*LE GRAND FRANCAIS.* The third act of the Panama Canal scandal has closed with a melancholy *finale*. The news of the death of M. FERDINAND DE LESSEPS, who was once hailed by his fellow-countrymen as "Le Grand Français," has just been published. His early career is one of the most remarkable examples of difficulties overcome by indomitable perseverance and inexhaustible fertility of resource ever recorded in the annals of France. When he conceived the idea of joining the Mediterranean with the Red Sea many of the shining lights of science pronounced the canal to be impossible, just as many of their predecessors had denied the possibility of travelling at the rate of fifteen miles an hour by railroad or crossing the Atlantic by steam. From the most remote times attention has been directed to a canal from the Nile to the Red Sea, but never without locks dug directly from sea to sea, the Red Sea and the Mediterranean having been assumed to be on a different level till their equality was established by M. DE LESSEPS. This supposed difference of level and the liability of the entrance to be choked by sand were the two capital objections to his scheme, and they were overcome by an amount of patient endurance that deserves to be called heroism. Often was he repulsed, but he knew how to wait and win; he was strong, resolute, and capable. When he had secured the concession the difficulties of the undertaking might be said to have only just begun. He clung with unconquerable tenacity to his work, and never once relaxed his efforts. Step by step he made his way, and bit by bit he accomplished his work. In the face of endless difficulties he pierced the Isthmus of Suez, and thus revolutionised the seaborne commerce between the East and West. The journey to Bombay from London or Hamburg was reduced by twenty-four days. By this achievement he attained a position which but few men have ever enjoyed. No honours were too high for him. There was such unhesitating faith in his genius that whatever he said he could do was considered as certain of accomplishment. In an evil hour he declared the possibility of joining the Pacific and the Carribean Sea, and the details of the efforts of this misguided man and his colleagues to retrieve their failures are still fresh in the public mind. Their reverses and their faults overclouded his fame and sullied his honour. The temptations which presented themselves to stay inevitable indignation were too strong for him, and thus he fell. Happily, at the time when his son was thrown into prison, and his own name added to the list of those indicted in the Panama affair, the aged FERDINAND DE LESSEPS was unable to understand anything beyond the little everyday events of his home, and it was easy to conceal from him the fact that there was a general outcry against him throughout France. His only wonder was that business affairs delayed his son CHARLES so long from home. M. CHARLES DE LESSEPS was in the Mazas Prison until the Court of Appeal questioned the sentence and liberated him. All the time his father imagined that he was making some long journey in connection with the canal scheme.

*West Cambs.* Favourable reports are to hand concerning Mr. Raymond Greene, the recently adopted Unionist candidate for West Cambridgeshire, who is making a good impression in the constituency. He has addressed a very enthusiastic meeting of supporters, and met with a cordial and flattering reception.

*Ipswich Journal, 1746.* We are pleased to note that a 1746 copy of the *Ipswich Journal* formed one of the antiquities in a museum of curiosities at a bazaar held in Framlingham this week. It may not be generally known that a copy of the first issue of the *Journal*, in 1720, is filed at our office; and we should like to add that bazaar promoters desiring the free loan of this copy for exhibition purposes may do so on giving satisfactory references to ensure its safety and return.

*Capt. Naylor Leyland.* Conservatives throughout Essex and Suffolk will learn with regret that Capt. Naylor Leyland, M.P. for Colchester, is lying seriously ill at Hyde Park House, from an attack of typhoid fever. He is progressing as well as can be expected, but Mrs. Leyland is also prostrated with the disease, which first made its appearance in the house over a fortnight ago. Their many well-wishers in East Anglia will desire that both Capt. and Mrs. Leyland may have a speedy recovery.

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*Coal Boring.* If the statement which a Continental geologist has made in a letter to Dr. J. E. Taylor, of Ipswich, be true —and there is no cause to doubt it— a prospective discovery of coal on the Continent is far more appreciated than in Suffolk. Professor Dollfus states that a similar enterprise to that on the banks of the Stour is being conducted in a northerly part of France; and so enthusiastic are the Frenchmen in the locality where the trials are to be made that they have raised sufficient money for six borings of a depth of 12,000 feet each. Suffolk landowners scarcely viewed the project with so much favour.

*The Bishop and the Washtub.* The Bishop of London, in the course of an address at a recent meeting of the Church of England Temperance Society, narrated an experience he had undergone while speaking on the subject of self-sacrifice at a temperance meeting. A woman at the back of the Hall suddenly got up and called out, "Have you ever stood over the washing tub all day? If you've done that, you would know something about it, and you'd better do something like that before you talk about something you don't understand." He said he would not deny that she hit him hard, and he admitted that those who earned their bread by the sweat of their brow lay under a greater temptation than those who earned it by their brains.

*Lowestoft's confidence.* To gain the entire confidence of a constituency is a good fortune which the majority of Parliamentary candidates desire, but how many succeed in attaining their object? Mr. H. S. Foster, M.P. for Lowestoft, would appear to be one of the favoured few. Sheriff Samuel, of London, in toasting Mr. Foster's health as the new Master of the Worshipful Company of Makers of Playing Cards, the other evening, observed that, from his own knowledge, he knew that no single member of Parliament in the United Kingdom possessed a safer seat, or was more thoroughly ensconsed in the hearts of his constituents, than Mr. Foster, and in having gained the confidence of the electors of the Lowestoft Division of Suffolk he might claim to have attained an eminence that no man could ever hold unless he thoroughly deserved it.

*Felixstowe Affairs.* The Felixstowe Local Board having virtually snubbed the newly-formed Ratepayers' Association for Walton and Felixstowe by declining to defer the letting of the contracts for the new sewerage works, the Association appear to be bent on revenge. This week the ratepayers mustered in strong force and signified their displeasure by selecting and pledging themselves to return seven gentlemen to the new District Council in opposition to their old representatives on the now defunct Local Board. Ratepayers' Associations can be of much service to local authorities, but the gentlemen who thus style themselves at Felixstowe scarcely appear to be acting in the best interests of their rapidly growing town by frustrating or delaying the sewerage scheme. However, the election will show whether the town, as a whole, approves of the old members' conduct in the matter.

*Ipswich Journalistic "Bulls."* An Ipswich daily contemporary has evidently added a humerist to its staff, or, at least, we should imagine so from the way in which some of its news items have been indited of late. The other day we read that a certain highly respected agriculturist, whose mortal remains were laid in their last resting-place on Saturday, "was one of six fine Scotchmen who came south in 1852 to be in attendance at the exhibition in 1851!" Still more recently the descriptive reporter of the staff was distinguishing himself, and in describing the shocking cruelty to which a horse had been subjected, remarked upon the "poor creature's" terrible suffering. Doubtless many of our contemporary's readers would be shocked to learn that quadrupeds had suddenly become associated with the human family.

*A tribute to Mr. Bourke.* Mr. Stanley Boulter, who had been speaking on behalf of the Conservative party in the Brigg division, in the course of an interview, declared that the result had been obtained mainly by the splendid organisation which was in the hands of Mr. Bourke, the Conservative agent for the Eastern Counties, assisted as he was by a small army of private and enthusiastic workers. Thirty-eight representatives of Ireland were sent into the division, who were deputed by the working men of Belfast to represent their intense aversion to Home Rule. Five of these representatives did most excellent work upon the platform, and the remainder did equally efficient service in canvassing from house to house. The platform speakers have all had great influence with the electors, notably Mr. T. W. Russell. But in his opinion the real force which turned the election was the great influence the social proposals lately put forward by Mr. Chamberlain had upon the electors. The proposal to "mend or end" the House of Lords was not really considered as a serious proposition by the electors.

*Testimonial to Col. Alderson.* The announcement recently made in this column that a testimonial to Col. Alderson—a gentleman who has rendered signal service to the Ipswich Race Committee, and who is a popular figure in the hunting field—has been a cause for gratification on the part of the Colonel's numerous friends. The subscribers to the proposed testimonial met at the Great White Horse Hotel, Ipswich, on Tuesday, when Mr. Fred Barker, the hon. secretary to the fund, announced that the appeal for subscriptions had met with a singularly hearty response. Donations were limited to one guinea, and when the list was closed on Tuesday it was ascertained that the total amount subscribed amounted to the handsome sum of £70 19s. 6d., the numerous subscribers being headed by the High Sheriff of Suffolk, the Duke of Hamilton, Lord Stradbroke, and other equally well-known county gentlemen. The testimonial will take the form of a large and valuable silver gilt cup, together with the subscribers' signatures handsomely bound, and will be presented on New Year's afternoon.

*The Situation.* The situation seems a grave one for the Radical party. With the country hostile, as is proved by the bye-elections that have taken place; with every section and group in the House of Commons loudly demanding that its particular pet measure shall be placed in the front rank of the Bills to be brought forward in the coming Session; with a strong and united Opposition facing them at every turn; with a leader who does not appear to know his own mind for two days together, and who often has to make a speech specially to explain away a previous one; with all these elements making for confusion, how long can the Government hold together? Even Lord Rosebery's last grand card, laid down with such a tremendous and triumphant thump, has failed him. England is not going to dance to the sound of his pipe; and even Scotland, loyal Scotland, is deserting the cause. It is said that the Government intends on the reassembling of Parliament to ask the House of Commons to pass some undefined resolution which is to bring the Upper Chamber to its senses—or to its knees, we are not sure which. Then some revolutionary measures are to be introduced, passed through the House of Commons, and hurled at the heads of the Lords. If they should have the hardihood to reject or "mutilate" them, then is to come the appeal to the final tribunal. Not that the House of Lords has the right to force a dissolution— Oh dear, no!—but it is neccessary that the supremacy of the Lower Chamber should be permanently secured. If by a large majority, says one of the leaders of the Separatist party, the country returns us to power, the House of Lords dare not resist. A big "if" even from a Radical. Of course this declaration gives away their case, which is that the House of Lords invariably resists the will of the nation.

*The filling of the cup.* That is the reason they give for desiring its abolition. But if they are so confident of a majority that the House of Lords will not resist, why did not they appeal to the country when the rejection of the Home Rule Bill was still fresh in the memory of the people, and with Mr. Gladstone's great personality at their back? Some say they dared not. They themselves assert that they wished to fill up the cup of the Lords' iniquities. They have filled their own cup to overflowing, and all the wriggling and twisting of which they are capable will not save them from defeat. Nothing is secure while the party of rapine and plunder is in power. Institutions upon which England has depended for centuries in the past are liable at any moment to be destroyed. The most sacred rights of property may at any time be infringed. The nation's prosperity and greatness hang upon a slender thread. Abroad it is the same. Treaties are liable to be broken; our most loyal allies may be deserted and even betrayed; the interests of great dependencies may be sacrificed for the sake of a few paltry votes at home; foreign States may treat Englishmen in the most oppressive manner, and the Government remain silent. In short, no matter who is at the Foreign Office, with a weak and vacillating Ministry our interests abroad are never secure. For almost every reason that can be conceived, it is time that the day of reckoning should come; and when it does come the Unionist party will be prepared and the constituencies will be ready.

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*Humour of Politics.* An Ipswich gentleman who was in the Brigg division throughout the recent campaign informs us that the greatest possible party spirit was exhibited up to the day of polling. To such a pitch did the excitement rise that in Scunthorpe and Frodingham the speakers and agents on either side were followed by enthusiasts of the opposite colours and hissed from one place to another. Several Conservative meetings were stormed, and in this connection our informant tells a story which is well worth reproducing. The result, instead of being certainly amusing, might have been serious had not the principal gentleman in question been possessed of a considerable amount of coolness. It is in the knowledge of all that political agents are, as a rule, men of great self-possession, but even they cannot always avert an organised rush having with its object the throwing of the agent out of the window. The general reader may smile. It seems amusing enough in print, but to experience the operation or even attempted operation, is calculated to make the bravest quail. This form of amusement is very common in the North, particularly in the mining districts of West Cumberland and Furness, but it is by no means confined to the rugged inhabitants of these wild parts, for, according to our informant, a lecturer in charge of a Beaconsfield van, who appeared one night at a village near Scunthorpe, only saved himself from being thrown through a window and his lantern smashed by the quickness of his wit.

*How the Lecturer was saved.* It seems that the lecturer's duty was to travel over the division with a van, and at each village to illustrate his lecture by means of an oxy-hydrogen lantern. In the village in which the incident under notice occurred it seems that the populace had been inflamed against Conservatism by the type of man at Yaxley, and as the lecturer came into the place he was generally hissed and some stones rattled against the sides of his van. "Striking tokens of dislike," murmured the lecturer, but these are quite trivial events in the experience of van-lecturers, and he proceeded to the place arranged for his meeting. Unfortunately for him, the Conservative party—unlike the Radicals—decidedly object to packing the front rows of their meetings with burly ruffians to defend the speakers on platforms from being assailed. Unfortunately, did we say, for the lecturer? Well, it might have been unfortunate had it not been for his self-possession. To cut a long story short. The lecture began, and there was a big crowd in the room, but the silence was ominous. Picture after picture was given, and beyond a few hisses at the portrait of the Queen and others, there was tolerable peace. The lecturer began to breathe more freely as the evening progressed apace, but the storm burst on a representation of Lord Salisbury. "Smash the show up!" yelled one of the audience with electrifying suddenness. Up rose a large portion of the audience, and at once rushed towards the lantern. Regardless of the danger the lecturer turned the lamp low, and then allowed a large quantity of gas to unite. The result was a loud sizzling noise. On this the lecturer cried out "Save yourselves! The lamp is going to burst." He was not mistaken in his estimate of the valour of the audience, for immediately there was a stampede for the door. A large number waited patiently outside, and were at length rewarded by seeing the lecturer stalk towards his van with the lantern in his arms. But they did not attack him. They were still afraid of the lamp bursting. The lecturer packed up and drove away the same night. As he left the meeting-house the van was pelted with stones, and the windows of the van were smashed.

*Mr. Arch and the Labourers.* The hero of the mangel—we use the term advisedly, and not in the sense of the application by Mr. Joseph Arch in his speech at New Buckenham, of which remarkable speech we publish 20 extracts in our columns to-day—seems to have had an unpleasant reception in the Brigg division, and we shrewdly suspect that although Mr. Arch declared at the New Buckenham meeting that he was quite independent of the votes of his constituents, and that he would go back to Parliament with a larger majority than ever—how he can accomplish this we don't know, but then what are the limits to Mr. Joseph Arch's accomplishments—that his value as a Radical touter for votes is fast declining. At Brigg he was challenged by Mr. A. L. Edwards to discuss with him the question of his (Mr. Arch's) balance-sheets. He refused to be present at the meeting, despite the fact that the hall in which Mr. Edwards was speaking was only about 100 yards away. Several of his supporters called, and reminded him of Mr. Edwards's public challenge, but Mr. Arch refused to publicly meet Mr. Edwards. The greatest astonishment prevailed amongst his ardent supporters, that he should refuse to avail himself of such an opportunity to give the lie direct to the serious charges of Mr. Edwards, and also to throw light on the way in which large sums of money have been expended. The opportunity of clearing himself was an exceptional one, for there were reporters present from all the powerful metropolitan and provincial journals. Mr. Arch's behaviour under the circumstances, to say the least of it, destroyed the confidence of his supporters, and we believe that he got a message to leave the constituency at once from Mr. Reckitt. However, it is significant that he left the district next day and was not again seen there.

*Temperance and Gladstonian Clubs.* Now that we are assured that the Government seriously mean to turn their attention to the question of temperance reform it would be well to turn their attention to the Radical Clubs. It is generally admitted that Clubs lead to as much if not more intoxication than public-houses. There are some 309 of these Clubs affiliated to the Working Men's Club and Institute in London alone. At some of them as much as £15 or £20 per week is spent in liquor; they are open early and late, Saturday and Sunday alike. At the Holborn Gladstonian Club, 28, Devonshire Street, W.C., and at many others, Sunday entertainments are given. The following is the programme of one of these entertainments given by the Alf. Jones' Variety Co., on a Sunday evening:—

Holborn Gladstonian Club.

Miss Marie Nightingale, ballad vocalist.
Mr. Fred. Roe, eccentric comedian.
Mr. Fred. Davies, descriptive and vocal comedian, will sing "Beautiful Music," "Mother, Father, and I," and "It's the seasoning wot does it."
Sisters La Belle (Ethel and Gladys), duettists and dancers.
Bernard and Weston, eccentric comedians and dancers.
Mr. Fred. Phillips, lightning cartoonist.
Mr. Charles Norman, whistling coon, in his celebrated songs, "The Whistling Slavey," and "Mrs. Brown and her Whistle."
Mr. Alf. Smart, tenor vocalist, will sing "The Thorn" and "Sally in our Alley."
Miss Dorothy Alexander, charming operatic vocalist.
Messrs. Campbell, Barnes, and Dorman (North London Club).
Pianist—Mr. R. Elliot.

## ROSEBERY JAM (AND PICKLES).

SEASON 1894.

January { A Solitary Star
Was beaming from afar,
O'er the Bridge of Rise;

December { That Solitary Star,
Is now weeping up afar,
O'er the *Brigg* of Sighs.

## IPSWICH GUARDIANS ELECTION.

### A LADY CANDIDATE OPPOSES THE NEW WORKHOUSE.

On Monday a meeting was held in the Woodhouse Street School in support of Mrs. W. C. Owen's candidature for St. Helen's parish. Miss Oxborrow, another of the lady candidates, presided. Mrs. Owen, who said she had contemplated seeking election for several years, said her visits among the poor of Ipswich had convinced her of the necessity of having women serving on the Board of Guardians. People were too harshly treated, insufficiency of relief was granted, and that had aroused her sympathy for the working classes. The fact that in Suffolk, during the year 1892, the salaries, superannuations, rations, and allowances of Workhouse officials cost £111 more than the total amount of relief given, was conclusive evidence that something was wrong. Mrs. Owen made reference to the proposal of erecting a new workhouse at a cost of £30,000, a site for which had already been purchased. She thought it would be wise, now that the system of poor-relief was in a transitory state, to re-consider the matter before spending such a sum. In the near future she believed they would have no workhouse as at present, but infirmaries, casual wards, and an extended system of out-relief. Alluding to the proposed scheme of giving the present master of the Workhouse a pension of £80 a year, Mrs. Owen asked, if the Guardians had discovered that they had hitherto been paying too high a salary, whether any necessity arise for the allowance of a pension? She was also of opinion that the welfare of the women and children demanded the sympathy of women guardians. Reverting to the management of the Workhouse, Mrs. Owen suggested that the place should be made as comfortable as possible, and thought that the paupers should be allowed beer and tobacco. On the question of vaccination, Mrs. Owen said she would vote against prosecuting persons for not complying with the law. She believed that the system of oakum-picking should be confined only to prisons, and said she should endeavour, if returned to the Board of Guardians, to get the system abolished. She was firmly resolved that all public work should be given only to those contractors who paid Trade Union rate of wages. A vote of confidence was carried.

Hudson's is the Soap to buy,
As everybody knows—
It quickly drives the dirt away,
But won't wear out the clothes!

## 273 TIMES CONVICTED.

Jane Cakebread made her 273rd appearance at the North London Police Court on Monday afternoon, and was sentenced, in default of sureties, to three months' imprisonment.

## THE CHOIR STRIKE AT HORNCASTLE

The choir strike at the Wesleyan Chapel at Horncastle has been arranged, the trustees having met the wishes of the singers in the question of ventilation, which had been the cause of their absenting themselves from the choir for several Sundays.

## THE TENTH FIRE AT WHEPSTEAD.

### FARM BAILIFF'S SON ARRESTED.

About twenty minutes to twelve on Wednesday night a wheat straw stack, the produce of six acres and bean straw stack, the produce of twenty acres, at the Malting Farm, Whepstead, were destroyed by fire. The outbreak was discovered by Police-constable Churchyard, who was promptly followed by Police-constables Emsden and Read. The fire is the tenth that has occurred in the neighbourhood, and appeared to be the work of an incendiary. The following day William Tatum, aged 23, son of the farm bailiff for Mrs. Smith, of Piper's Hall, was arrested on suspicion. The property was insured.

## SUICIDE AT WHERSTEAD.

On Wednesday William Andrews (92), retired builder, residing at Wherstead, left home stating that he was going a short walk. He was found later in the day by a platelayer, drowned near the G.E.R. at Bourne Bridge. The water was only 3½ feet in depth, and as the coat and stick of the deceased were found lying against the wall, a jury which met on Thursday, returned a verdict of "Death from drowning during temporary insanity." It might be stated that a brother of the deceased, mentioned at the inquest, that his brother was depressed and greatly worried owing to the depreciation of certain property. He was not in difficulties.

## AN IPSWICH CHURCH RESTORATION SCHEME.

Under the presidency of Sir Chas. Dalrymple, M.P., a very successful concert was given in the Parish-room of Holy Trinity, Ipswich, on Thursday evening in aid of the fund being raised for the restoration of that church. An excellent programme was carried out by Miss N. C. W. Warren, Miss M. Mills, Miss Stevens, Miss Groom, Miss Bishop, Mr. J. B. King, Mr. J. Harrison, Mr. G. Cobb, and Mr. Gough. Sir Chas. Dalrymple, in moving a vote of thanks to the performers, said the proposal for the improvement of Holy Trinity Church was a most laudable one, that had met with much encouragement in many quarters, and no doubt the number of its supporters would increase as time went on. The vicar (the Rev. W. H. Williamson) in moving a vote of thanks to Sir Chas. Dalrymple, referred to the generous support which he had given to the scheme, and also thanked Mr. Orvis for arranging the concert.

## IPSWICH CHRISTMAS SHOW.

The annual Christmas show in connection with the Suffolk Fat Cattle Club opens on Monday morning next, and will remain open until Tuesday night. The arrangements for receiving the exhibits this morning were completed last night, and there is every reason to believe that the exhibition, in most respects, will be well up to the average of previous years. In the cattle classes there are 72 entries. Sheep are rather short in numbers, and an average show of swine. There are no less than 197 entries for the prizes offered by Messrs. Edward Packard and Co. to cottagers and allotment holders. The stock is again stalled or penned in a large building 200 feet by 80 feet, erected by Mr. Alfred Taylor, of Stowmarket, by the side of the Drill Hall, leaving the interior of that building to be reserved for the more attractive ladies' department. It has been artistically decorated, and considering the large number of entries for this department this year, it will be as attractive as ever, there being no less than nine competitors for the best set-out dinner table, 27 for art needlework, 14 for wood carving, and also fair competition for the fruit and flower classes, and fancy stalls. Unfortunately for the want of space, several applicants for stands have not been able to be accommodated. The splendid band of the Royal Artillery from Woolwich will be in attendance, and it may be pointed out that the Great Eastern Railway Company will issue on Monday return tickets at single fares, particulars of which will be found in our advertisement columns.

## IPSWICH AND SUFFOLK LICENSED VICTUALLERS'

### PROTECTION SOCIETY.

Mr. M. P. Clark presided over the annual meeting of the Ipswich and Suffolk Licensed Victuallers' Protection Society at the Great White Horse Hotel, Ipswich, yesterday. There was a large attendance of members. Mr. George Turner (secretary) presented the report of the committee. The subscriptions received during the year amounted to £64 17s. 3d., the balance in favour of the general and benevolent funds being £84 6s. 10d. Many new members had been elected since the last annual meeting. The honour of re-election to the Executive Committee of the National Trade Defence Fund, the recognised head of the wholesale and retail trade of the United Kingdom had been conferred on the president (Mr. M. P. Clark). The following officers were elected:—President, Mr. M. P. Clark; vice-presidents, Mr. Ed. Smyth and Mr. John Connold; secretary, Mr. George Turner; treasurer, Mr. George Fenn; auditors, Mr. Connold and Mr. Sutcliffe; solicitor, Mr. W. Marshall. The Committee were appointed as under:—J. Moyse, J. Aldous, B. Nichols, W. Harrison, F. Makin, L. Betts, H. Sayer, P. Last, P. B. Bucke, W. Ellis, W. Bunting, H. C. Westgate. It was agreed to hold a dinner as in previous years, and it was understood that Sir Chas. Dalrymple, M.P., would in all probability be present, the date suggested being a Wednesday after the assembling of Parliament on February 5th.—The President gave a short address. —Mr. J. J. Dunne related his experiences in the Brigg election.

## GATHERING OF IPSWICH DOCKERS.

### PRESENTATION TO THE REV. J. POWELL.

The Co-operative Hall presented a striking scene on Thursday evening, when the dockers of Ipswich and their wives—500 in all—spent four long and happy hours together, at the kind invitation of the Rector of St. Clement's (the Rev. J. Powell). The pleasures of the evening consisted of a capital tea and concert, the latter being contributed, as also last year, by the well-known Ladies' Band, conducted by Miss M. C. Nunn. The ladies providing "trays" and superintending at the various tables included the following:—Lady Evelyn Cobbold, Mrs. J. P. Cobbold, Mrs. Henry Schrieber, Mrs. N. Cobbold, Mrs. W. Alexander, Mrs. W. Paul, Mrs. C. H. Cowell, Mrs. Henry Packard, Mrs. Roxburgh, Mrs. Ray, Mrs. Fish, Mrs. E. Turner, Mrs. E. Ransome, Mrs. E. Ransome, jun., Mrs. J. R. Jefferies, Miss Turner, Mrs. T. R. Elkington, Miss Coulcher, Mrs. Sizer, Mrs. Bales, Mrs. Bantoft, Mrs. Lofthouse, Miss Durrant, Mrs. J. Hunt, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Christopherson, Mrs. White Jervis, Mrs. Bishop, Mrs. Eisdell, Mrs. Tempest, Miss Moore, Mrs. R. M. Miller, Miss Ridley, and Miss Curling. Tea over, the tables were cleared, and a capital programme of music, recitations, &c., was gone through. After an instrumental piece by the band a duet for violins was played by Master A. Powell and Miss M. C. Nunn. Miss Deane then gave a recitation, and Miss E. Henderson and the Rev. F. L. Schrieber sang songs with good stirring choruses, both being louldly applauded and encored. Another orchestral piece brought the first part of the programme to a close. During the interval the chairman (Mr. C. H. Cowell) addressed the dockers in a few earnest straightforward words. After welcoming his hearers once more to the annual tea, and congratulating them upon their literally overflowing numbers, he said if there was one thing the Ipswich dockers did, it was work when they could get it, and no body of men had a better right than themselves to such a thorough-going entertainment as they were indulging in that evening. There was one other matter he would like to mention. He saw on the walls of that very building, a few weeks ago, a notice of a lecture to be given on the question, "Did Jesus Christ ever live?" Now if anyone told him that there was no man living who had ever set his eyes on Jesus Christ he would entirely agree with him, but if anyone told him there were not a thousand things to show that 1,900 years ago Jesus Christ did live and walk upon this earth, then he would say, "You know absolutely nothing about it." A glance at the world to-day, and a glance back at the world 1,900 years ago, would convince any but the totally blind of the enormous influence of the teaching of Christ upon society. A very pleasing incident now took place, viz. the presentation to the Rector of St. Clement's (Rev. J. Powell) of a large framed portrait of himself, the gift of the dockers and one or two friends. The presentation was made by the choirman, who said that such a gift was a striking testimony to the warm esteem in which the Rector of St. Clement's was held by the quay labourers as a body. The following address accompanied the presentation:—"Knowing what interest the Rector of St. Clement's takes in our welfare, temporal as well as spiritual, we (the dock labourers) do gladly subscribe towards the purchase of a portrait of the reverend gentleman as a token of our esteem, gratitude, and affection felt for him. We further hope that this portrait be allowed to remain in the "Dockers' Rest," an institution greatly valued by us all, and started by his instrumentality."—The Rev. J. Powell heartily thanked the subcribers. Both he and his wife had spent many happy hours on the Ipswich Docks, and he looked forward to the "Dockers' Rest" becoming a still greater help and blessing to the dockers; he wished them to regard it, not merely as a shelter, but as indeed a home. Very often he saw on the Docks a black face and a hand, but he knew that behind these lay a kind and tender heart. Mr. A. Sizer (churchwarden of St. Clement's) proposed a vote of thanks to ladies who had in any way helped to provide them with such an enjoyable entertainment. It was one right that the rich should help the poor. The pity was it was not done more. He referred especially to the fact that such parishes as St. Clement's were often considerably hindered in their spiritual work, through a lack of workers. In such cases they often looked to the west end of Ipswich without success. He would also like to mention how greatly, Mr. Powell had been disappointed through being prevented by illness from remaining with them throughout the evening. The second half of the programme was then proceeded with, including two more orchestral pieces. Another recitation by Miss Deane, a violin solo by Miss M. Grimwood, and a song by Miss Garratt. The National Anthem brought a long-remembered evening to a close.

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## FATAL FOOTBALL ACCIDENT.

A Rugby football player named William Buglas was fatally injured at Sheriff Hill, near Gateshead, on Saturday, during a match between Blaydon and Lowfell. Deceased, who was one of the Blaydon team, was charged by an opponent, who struck him in the abdomen with his knee. Buglas was taken to the house of a bystander, where he died on Sunday afternoon.

## A CLAYDON BANKRUPT'S DISCHARGE.

On Thursday at Ipswich Bankruptcy Court John Alfred Moore, postmaster and carpenter and builder' Claydon, who first came before the Court last August, applied for his discharge.—The Official Receiver stated in his report that a final dividend of 5s. in the £ has been paid on proofs amounting to £198 1s. Mr. Messent reported (*inter alia*) that the debtor omitted to keep proper books of accounts, and continued to trade after knowing himself to be insolvent. The discharge was granted and suspended for two years.

## THE FIELD.

The Suffolk Fox Hounds will meet on Tuesday, December 18th, at Riddlesworth Hall; Saturday, the 22nd, at Stowmarket; at 11. The Duke of Hamilton's Harriers will meet on Monday, December 17th, at Shottisham Sorrel Horse; Friday, the 21st, at Badingham White Horse; at 11. The Henham Harriers will meet on Tuesday, December 18th, at Weston Marlborough; Saturday, the 22nd, at St. Margaret's South Elmham; at 11.

### DUKE OF HAMILTON'S HARRIERS.

These harriers met on Monday at Debach Post—always considered a capital meet. It was about six years since I last got into my boots, but having got out my old farmer's horse I made a point of being there punctually at 11 a.m. Tom Nevard trotted up with his pack in the pink of condition and a credit to any huntsman and especially to the Duke. On looking round for the old faces I was particularly pleased to see Mr. W. Walton and his son Plant, two ladies of the Thellusson family, Miss Lowther, the Misses Fraser, and Misses Goodwin. Among the men of the present day I noticed Messrs Fred Lewin, Showell, Goldfinch, Smith, Whisstock, and Roberts. There was a blank, however: I could not help missing the absence of the late field master's face. It was always jolly; he possessed a kind word for everybody, and he generally led the field in a run or when going down to the sands. The Snape contingent was also absent, though I well remember the well-known sportsman from that district, showing his pluck on an unbroken colt, or rather an untried horse on this very meet. Two of my old comrades I was glad to see were present, although they were reduced to wheels, viz., Mr. W. Miles and our worthy landowner, Mr. J. Symonds. A move was soon made to the land of Mr. Edmund Barlow. The ditches were certainly "blind," although the fences were in good sporting condition. But a capital spin was enjoyed round by our field friend's, Mr. James Youngman of Charsfield, and the hounds at length obtained their prey at a plough adjoining Mr. Barlow's homestead. A move was next made in the Otley direction, and a hare of the right sort was soon started and gave us a splendid run in the direction of Monewden. Various hindrances occurred—some in the shape of very big fences, which some of my friends found to their regret, and another in the form of a farmer who was rather vexed on seeing all his colts let loose. After this slight incident Tom, with his old sagacity, hit off the line, which after a slow scent of fifteen minutes we regretfully had to leave and the hare to run again another day. An adjournment was made to our hospitable host's farmhouse, where ample justice was done to his sportsman's repast. Thanks were freely expressed for the hospitable manner in which Mr. Barlow entertained his hunting friends, considering he himself never joins in sport. After lunch another hare was found, but as it was a slow scent. I came away.

HOTSPUR.

## RUSHMERE COMMONERS' RIGHTS.

### IPSWICH GOLF CLUB SECURES A HOME.

The recently formed organisation, known as the Ipswich Golf Club, has been happy in its selection of a ground, for no more desirable place than Rushmere Heath, with its wild expanse of 160 acres, is necessary. The club has now secured 50 acres of the heath as a golf ground, the agreement being ratified at a crowded meeting of the commoners and the householders of Rushmere St. Andrew, held in the Schoolroom on Thursday evening, under the presidency of the vicar of the parish, the Rev. A. W. Gray. It will be within our readers' recollection that at the preliminary meeting the rights of the Marquis of Bristol to the common were questioned by Mr. R. L. Everett, M.P., but ultimately a committee was appointed to discuss the matter and report. To receive that report and if approved sign an agreement between the Commoners and the Ipswich Golf Club was the real object of Thursday's meeting. The open rupture with the Marquis of Bristol previously threatened was fortunately averted, but still the history of the heath remains to a large extent clothed in mystery. The Chairman, who acted with extreme impartiality over an intricate question, at the outset read a letter which the Marquis of Bristol had forwarded to Major Meller, as chairman of the Heath Committee, and which his lordship had written at Major Mellor's request assuring the commoners that he would not interfere with their rights to the heath. His lordship wrote:— "I confess I am somewhat surprised that the Rushmere commoners should require renewed assurance that their rights will be respected by me, as in my voluminous correspondence with Mr. Everett some years ago, the burden of my text was always this: Respect my rights as lord of the manor, and I will respect yours as commoners. I can only imagine that there are among the commoners those to whom the correspondence is sealed, though to the best of my belief it appeared in the public Press. If this is so, for the sake of peace, I again write to assure you that I have no intention, even if it were possible, which it is not, of overriding or encroaching upon the proved or provable rights of the commoners of Rushmere. I say proved or provable because it is important that there should be

NO MISUNDERSTANDING

between us. Certain rights have been claimed on behalf of the commoners—I don't say by Mr. Everett —which I considered at the time, and still consider, inadmissible. The rights which I will declare and will not encroach upon are those which the commoners can prove. I should like to ask on my part what steps the commoners are prepared to take to give me assurance that they will recognise my right as lord of the manor of Rushmere in the soil of the waste of that manor. The Chairman then read a very voluminous "proceedings" of the Heath Committee, which detailed minutely their resolutions, correspondence, &c., from which it appeared that Major Mellor had transacted the correspondence between Mr. G. H. W. Hervey (the Marquis of Bristol's agent), it being understood that Mr. R. L. Everett declined to do so. At a meeting on the 12th ult., Major Mellor wrote Mr. Hervey informing him of what took place at the last public meeting, and asking the Marquis of Bristol's consent to lay down a course for the Ipswich Golf Club, and whether he would give an assurance not to disturb the commoners' rights. A Sub-Committee of the Heath Committee afterwards met a deputation from the Golf Club, and they reported that the Club would require about forty acres of the common for an eighteen-hole course, that it had been agreed to pay to the commoners as compensation, £30 for the first two years, and £35 per annum for the remainder of the term. The club agreed to employ Rushmere labour as far as possible. It was understood that twelve men would be employed as soon as a start could be made, which would probably be during the present month. Rushmere men and boys would be employed as caddies, the usual rate of pay being 9d. a round or 2s. a day. To a further meeting of the Committee, a letter from Mr. Harvey expressed surprise at Mr. Everett's statement that the Marquis of Bristol when appealed to, had declined to show his title to the common. Lord Bristol (said the writer) had repeatedly offered to show his title as Lord of the manor of Rushmere Heath if a competent person were appointed as judge, and if Mr. Everett would abide by the decision. Mr. Everett, however, had always declined the offer. His lordship had also previously assured Mr. Everett that he had no wish to encroach upon the commoners rights. It seemed ridiculous to think that Lord Bristol would attempt to enclose the common; that could only be done by Act of Parliament. His lordship, the letter continued, would never take any compensation payable to the commoners; it was

ONLY RENT WHICH HE TOOK,

and if he found the commoners attempting to let the land, he would have to take steps to assert his rights. In reply to the query from Major Meller, was Lord Bristol still prepared to show his title as lord of the manor, his lordship wrote: "I really cannot renew the offer I made to Mr. Everett, which was refused by him without apparently letting the commoners know of it."— Mr. Hervey attended a meeting of the Committee on the 30th ult., at which he stated that the commoners could not let any portion of the heath without the consent of Lord Bristol, and neither could Lord Bristol without the consent of the commoners. The question of shooting rights coming up, Mr. Hervey said the shooting was the right of Lord Bristol, who had a keeper on the heath. He, however, reported that there had been no trespassers or persons chasing hares. (Laughter, and a voice, "There was one running a hare this morning.") Mr. Hervey produced a lease between the Marquis of Bristol and the commoners, and one of the Committee pointed out that while they did not dispute his lordship's title to the manor, they did dispute the land being waste of that manor. Mr. Hervey also read an extract from a deed dated 1674, in the possession of the Marquis, describing his right to the furze, moors, heath, &c. Mr. Hervey doubted whether the commoners could show their right to the common.—Mr. R. L. Everett said he believed the commoners, in conjunction with himself, were unanimously in favour of the agreement with the Golf Club being entered into. He desired most emphatically to dissociate himself as a commoner from the resolution which was passed at the last meeting, from the letters written by Major Mellor, and from the agreement which was laid down before the Committee, and which had been drawn up to be signed between Lord Bristol and the Golf Club, claiming for his lordship all the rights which they said they had no knowledge of. (Applause.) He desired to stand where they had always stood.

THE GROUND THEY HAD TAKEN FOR GENERATIONS

was that they did not know in whom the soil of the Heath was vested; they had asked no leave to do anything they liked, and it had been a free ground to them. All the surface rights belonged to them, and they had never bowed their necks to the yokes of any lord. There was not the faintest shadow of a tradition that a house had ever stood upon the Heath (as was alleged). His lordship's clever lawyers were trying to build him up a title to which he was not entitled. He would ask those who were of the same opinion as himself to show it by holding up their right hand. A large majority of the meeting responded.—The Chairman said he could have voted with the majority on one ground, although he did not hold up his hand.—Mr. J. Goodwin remarked that for 30 years he had made no claim to the heath until the present time.—The Chairman then submitted the agreement, dating from January 1st, 1895, to the meeting which was in accordance with the terms above stated, except that 50 acres were proposed to be taken. This was afterwards signed by the Committee and all the Commoners, and the meeting terminated.

## IPSWICH LYCEUM THEATRE.

### LIST OF WINTER ENGAGEMENTS.

Below we give a list of the winter engagements at the Ipswich Lyceum, from which it will be seen that the management have secured a series of strong attractions for the Ipswich public. Beginning with the play of the decade, "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray," to be given by the only company having the provincial right, and of which report speaks highly, there will follow a new operatic comedy, entitled "Dorcas," written by the Messrs. Paulton, the authors of "Niobe," and this will be followed by those two most successful farcical comedies now running in London, "The New Boy," and "Charley's Aunt." Then comes Shakespeare's delightful comedy, "A Midsummer Night's Dream." This will be brought from Norwich, where Mr. Ben Greet produces it at Christmas on, we hear, a scale of unusual completeness. This is followed by Wilkie Collins' play of "The New Magdalen," then "La Cigale," one of the most charming light operas produced of late years, and which has never before been seen in Ipswich, will be given for the week of January 28th. After this follows a new drama, "The Slave Girl." A welcome return visit from Mr. Hermann Vezin and his Shakesperian Company, and the season ends up with a pantomime. It will be noticed that *matinées* are announced with nearly every company. The management finds these are becoming increasingly popular.

December 26, Mr. F. G. Latham's Company, "The Second Mrs. Tanquerray," four nights and *Matinée* December 29th.
December 31, the new operatic costume comedy, "Dorcas," three nights.
January 3, Mr. Weedon Grossmith's Company, "The "New Boy," three nights and *Matinée* January 5th.
January 7, Mr. Penley's Company, "Charley's Aunt," six nights and *Matinée* January 12th.
January 14, production by Mr. Ben Greet of "A Midsummer Night's Dream," six nights and *Matinée* January 19th.
January 21, Mr. Henry Dundas's Company, "The New Magdalen," six nights and *Matinée* January 26th.
January 28, the celebrated light opera, "La Cigale," six nights and *Matinée* February 2nd.
February 4, Mr. Seymour Hodges' Company, "The Slave Girl," six nights and *Matinée* February 9th.
February 11, Mr. Hermann Vezin and Company, Shakesperian and Standard Plays, six nights and *Matinée* February 16th.
February 18, Mr. Milton Bode's Company, pantomime, "Sinbad the Sailor," six nights and *Matinée* February 23rd.

## IOLANTHE AT IPSWICH LYCEUM

### AMATEURS SCORE A SUCCESS.

Clement Scott coined the happy phrase declaring Gilbert and Sullivan's operas full of "dramatic iconoclastic facetious irreverance, yet suggesting humour rather than forcing it, and always free from the coarseness of vulgarity." Of none of their works is this more true than of "Iolanthe," but at the same time most people will agree that the music of "Iolanthe" is above that of the "Pirates of Penzance," which was taken by the Ipswich Amateur Opera Company last year, and by which they achieved their first great success. All the more credit is due to them that on Thursday night they presented the quaint whimsicalities associated with "The peer and the peri" to the entire satisfaction of a crowded house—such a house as can only be drawn on rare occasions, the booking for the three nights of their voluntary engagement, indeed, beating the record. Two or three of the ablest members of the old company could not, for various reasons, take part in the second venture, but fresh acquisitions were made, and it was a source of peculiar pleasure that Mr. G. King Smith, whose talent in this direction is everywhere recognised, was able this time with renewed health to join his friends, and very materially contribute to the strength of the performances. The "argument," as the subject matter of the libretto is playfully called, is familar to readers. In the overture, introducing several of the principal themes occurring in the opera, the band was well balanced, and heard to advantage. The opening scene was an Arcadian landscape, painted specially by Mr. W. G. Fisk with taste, and the first chorus by the fairies offered a brilliant spectacle, their charming costumes with fairy (electric) lamps to crown their coiffures and dainty action being pretty and effective. "Tripping hither, tripping thither," as even the initial words indicate, is a chorus full of delicate grace. The three leading fairies were Miss Hales-Dutton (Leila), Miss May White (Celia), and Miss C. Turner (Fleta) and for the first two are solos. Miss White gave hers with refinement and expression, and Miss Hales-Dutton also sang with credit, although it must be said her round and full voice was heard to greater advantage later on. The conversation discloses that one of the fays (Iolanthe) married, 25 years ago, a mortal (the Lord Chancellor), and had a grown up son (Strephon). For thus defying the fairy law she was sentenced to death, but the sentence was commuted to penal servitude for life. The fairies induce the Queen to forgive her. In the invocation for her, to return, the Queen (Miss A. L. Broome), clad in silver armour, evidenced sympathy and dramatic power, to be called still more into requisition afterwards. Strephon (Mr. A. E. Sidgwick), who follows the employment of an Arcadian shepherd, and Phyllis (Mrs. P. B. Garrard), a ward in Chancery and Arcadian shepherdess, on whom the whole plot turns, enter with their respective pastoral accompaniments, and short recitatives which merge into a plaintive duet, "None shall part." It was very sweetly rendered, and obtained a well merited encore—the first of the evening. A grand pageant was

THE MARCH BY THE PEERS,

attired in magnificent robes, and wearing coronets, stars and orders, which proclaim their high estate. The orchestra was most effective in the symphony, but when accompanying it appeared rather to over-burden the voices. Whether this was so, or whether the chorus, though undoubtedly strong, did not assert themselves to the full extent at first, might, however, be a matter of opinion. The first appearance of the Lord Chancellor (Mr. G. King Smith) in full-bottomed wig, robe trimmed with gold, and knee breeches, was hailed with enthusiasm. He was simply irresistible, seeming "to the manner born," his every action and gesture having that naturalness which is the highest success of art. Most of all he excelled in the clear enunciation of the words, and there was no one in the whole building who did not follow and appreciate the troubles of the susceptible Chancellor, beneath whose severe legal exterior beat a very tender heart for pretty young maids under his care. He was encored. The trio for Phyllis, Lord Tolloller (Mr. Harry Clarke), and the Earl of Mountararat (Mr. E. Hooper), with chorus, was also an enjoyable number. Mr. Clarke had an excellent presence, his intonation was fairly good, and he may be congratulated on having made a distinct advance on his performance of last year, further evidence of an improvement in his voice being afforded by the song, "Spurn not the Nobly Born." Mr. Hooper took his solo with customary ease and confidence. Mrs. Proctor Garrard as Phyllis showed her real dramatic instinct in the reply to her suitors and in the subsequent numbers. She possesses a highly-cultivated voice of rare power and feeling, and was able to bring out her part with a nonchalance of manner grace of expression, and gaiety of deportment that greatly pleased. The Lord Chancellor's song, "Said I to myself, said I," was very droll, and was encored. The chorus was at its best in the finale to the first act, the band then really becoming subservient to the voices, the chorus, "Into Parliament he shall go," being especially effective. In the climax, "Strephon your foe," both the fairies and the peers rose to the occasion, and sang with remarkable vigour. The second scene opened in

THE PALACE YARD, WESTMINSTER,

which was also painted for the performance by Mr. Fisk. The sentry—Private Willis, of the Grenadier Guards (Mr. F. G. Mayhew)—was an admirable make-up, and his song was re-demanded. The chorus of fairies and peers, "Here's a pretty kettle of fish," was very good, and the patriotic song by Lord Mountararat (Mr. Hooper) took with the audience, and had to be partly repeated. The duet of Leila and Celia, "In vain to us you plead—don't go," with pizzicato accompaniment was one of the achievements of the evening, Miss White and Miss Hales Dutton doing this prettily and with naiveté, and being well supported by the chorus. Miss Broome secured an undoubted success in the song, "Oh foolish fay," which suited her voice, and which she brought out with skill and sympathy. That she did well in other respects and showed dramatic sympathy goes without saying. The quartet by Phyllis, Lord Mountararat, Lord Tolloller and the Sentry was admirably rendered, the blending being excellent, and the solemn declaration, "Accept of friendship all the same," and unaccompanied pianissimo ending, very effective. The Lord Chancellor's patter song, with its nightmare reminiscences and true Gilbertian humour, evoked another enthusiastic encore. The valse trio by the two Lords and the Lord Chancellor was also a most fetching thing, and the audience loudly applauded them as they whisked off the stage. The duet in the form of a jig between Phyllis and Strephon, "If we are weak enough to tarry," was another of the hits of the evening, being given with pathos and *elan*, which won a well-deserved encore. As Iolanthe, Miss Farrow had a very exacting part. This was the first time she appeared in a principal character, and on that account probably had a little nervousness, which slightly affected her intonation of the ballad; but she had a hearty reception, and her acting, it should be added, was very good. The grand finale, wherein love conquers all, with its

EXQUISITE BIT OF PLAY

between the Queen and the Sentry made a splendid spectacle, all the performers entering thoroughly into the spirit of the chorus and dance. A further word of praise should perhaps be added for Strephon, whose action in his various parts was smart. The whole of the company was re-called, together with the conductor (Mr. B. H. Burton), and the stage manager (Mr. H. Baker). The chorus were as under:— Fairies: Mrs. I. L. Ensor, Mrs. J. F. Lewis, Mrs. C. Salmon, and the Misses F. Birch, E. Barton, L. Hawes, E. Jennings, K. B. Last, E. Lush, R. Musgrove, N. Morra, K. Samway, M. Tucker, M. Woods, E. M. Wortley, and E. Wrinch. Peers: Messrs. A. L. Barry, F. S. Bennett, J. Barham, F. Frewer, H. H. Green, G. W. Horsfield, H. T. Horner, H. W. Kersey, A. J. Leighton, A. Pearce, L. E. Pretty, C. Prentice, C. E. Salmon, W. N. Turner, L. Turner, and H. A. Wright. Mr. Chas. Cooke was the leader of the band, which included three performers from the Northamptonshire Regiment.

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## IPSWICH AND WOODBRIDGE.

### THE REPRESENTATION:

### EXTRAORDINARY RUMOURS.

### ALLEGED SPLIT IN THE RADICAL CAMP.

In our last issue we stated that we had heard that Mr. D. Ford Goddard had declared his intention of not further prosecuting his candidature in the Radical interest in the representation of Ipswich in Parliament. We are now able to definitely confirm this. Mr. Ford Goddard has resigned. The news which the *Journal* published last Saturday was a great surprise to many members of the party who had not been acquainted officially. As a result, many inquiries were addressed to the wire-pullers, but no definite information could be elicited from them. The statement was hardly credited, but as no contradiction was forthcoming, Radicals who were not admitted to the inner cult rightly came to the conclusion that the news was all but too true. The publication of Mr. Goddard's intention brought matters to a crisis, and this week four meetings of the caucus have been held to discuss the situation and, we are informed, with the hope of being able to so adjust matters as to give the statement published in the *Journal* the lie direct. Mr. Goddard was approached after each meeting in the hope of being able to shake his resolve; but we understand that he declared most positively that his decision was final. The question of selecting a successor to Mr. Goddard was therefore rendered imperative on the caucus, and we are informed on very good authority that Mr. Corrie Grant has been selected, subject to confirmation by a full meeting of the party. The name of Mr. Corrie Grant was not received enthusiastically by a section of the caucus, so lively developments may be early expected. The fact remains, however, that he was elected by a majority, and his name will therefore—unless matters are readjusted—go before the party. The minority argued that it was a farce putting forward Mr. Corrie Grant, but they were told by the majority that it was not so much a question of a winning candidate or even one with a striking individuality being required, but one who would "keep the other side busy."

During the week another most sensational political event has taken place. This affects the representation of the Woodbridge Division. It seems that Mr. R. L. Everett has informed his Committee that for private reasons he is unlikely to pursue his candidature at the next election for the Woodbridge Division. A preliminary meeting was held last (Friday) night to discuss the situation, but we are informed that no practical decision was arrived at. It is mentioned that Mr. Everett is resigning in the interests of Mr. D. Ford Goddard, and that he is likely to become a candidate for the Woodbridge Division at the next election. The story on the face of it seems most improbable, but it is in our knowledge that Mr. Goddard has been seeking a county constituency for some time past, and that it was only by the merest chance that he was not chosen for the Stowmarket Division instead of Mr. De Walker (now known as plain Mr. Walker, the Parisian prefix being deemed to savour too much of the aristocratic for the agricultural labourers). This knowledge, viewed in conjunction with the fact that Mr. Ford Goddard has on more than one occasion appeared on Mr. Everett's platform, renders some colour of probability to the story. It is one, however, which should be accepted at the present juncture with a certain amount of reserve. Of course, this difficulty with Mr. Everett may be patched up. We believe that the party are making every endeavour to patch it up; they may possibly succeed, but we very much doubt whether they will, that is, provided our information is correct. It is said that certain members of the party very much question whether the seat is as safe as some of the wirepullers would have the caucus believe. The reason why they have openly expressed their doubts is because some of the more inquisitive members have caused a private enquiry to be made as to Mr. Everett's prospects at the next election. They informed the caucus that the reckless promises Mr. Everett had made and had not fulfilled, were acting prejudicially. In short, that there was a complete revulsion of feeling towards him in many of his hitherto important centres. It was also stated that his warm advocacy of the Eastern Counties' Labour Federation, on whose back he rode into Parliament, and of Mr. Joseph Arch, whom he repeatedly styled as his "Dear brother and friend," were also acting against him.

Close scrutiny of the speeches of Mr. Everett would reveal a very significant fact in view of the above developments, which strongly go to confirm the story; it is the circumstance that on no occasion in the numerous addresses that he has delivered to his constituents has he appealed to them for a renewal of their support, or caused resolutions to be submitted to his audiences re-affirming their confidence in him. It is also now significant that he should not have answered the charges we made against him in our columns with regard to his breaches of trust in the shape of the old age pensions, &c.

We have been at some considerable pains to ascertain the reasons that have prompted Mr. Ford Goddard to desist from his campaign in Ipswich. From what we can learn, it seems that the reasons are many. One principal ground of complaint, we are informed, is the lukewarm manner in which the party have supported him in various ways. Another prime factor in influencing his decision is the utter hopelessness of a continued struggle. Furthermore, he has given the party to understand that, by the expenditure of money (not in corruption, be it understood, but in legitimate outlay) he has a tolerable chance of winning one of the four seats which, we understand, have been placed at his disposal. We have no doubt now that the public, in view of these revelations of fact, will watch the future developments with no inconsiderable interest.

## THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING AT NEW BUCKENHAM

### IN SUPPORT OF MR. F. WILSON.

### HOW MR. ARCH VILIFIED THE LABOURERS.

### TWENTY CHOICE EXTRACTS.

We have received from Mr. A. L. Edwards, Ipswich, the following 20 extracts from the now famous New Buckenham speech of Mr. Joseph Arch. The extracts have been culled from a report taken by a shorthand-writer specially engaged to make a transcript of the speech. This report has just come to hand, and we hasten to publish the real opinion Mr. Arch entertains of those who fed and clothed him for so many long years:—

"Have had peculiar thoughts."
"Large numbers of men have left the Union."
"I am not come here to ask you to cheer me."
"I don't care whether you cheer me or curse me."
"You sent me to the House of Commons, and now you want to starve me."
"Have never had a single penny out of the Union in the shape of wages for nine weeks."
"It is not me that have left you, it is you that have left me."
"You poor, craven, milk-and-water fellows."
"If I have not the friendship of you agricultural labourers, I have the friendship of a large number of members in the House of Commons."
"I don't stand to-night upon your 2½d. per week; I can do without it."
"You may cry in the dreary months of November and December, but Arch will never come a yard after you."
"I am not going to be fooled by you time after time. I lived before I came into your Union. I can live when your Union is smashed up."
"Cheers won't support a man in the House of Commons."
"Don't you think you are going to starve me; Joseph is too old for you."
"I think some of you labourers' heads are as soft as the mangolds you hoe."
"When you get amongst the mangolds to-morrow just think to yourselves, 'Well that is a specimen of my *nut*.'"
"Now some of you fellows turn round and say, 'I ain't going to pay any more, as you are making a nice penny out of it.'"
"It is not a matter of a brass farthing to me whether I remain president of your Union a day longer, I shall live."
"You button up your pockets at the thought of paying 2½d. per week when you are told. . . . . I have run away with your money."
"I shall go back to the House of Commons at another election with a bigger majority than I had last time. Not because you support me well, because you don't do so."

In conclusion Mr. A. L. Edwards writes:—"Mr. Joseph Arch, as a *trustee*, has not only allowed the labourers' money to be squandered for the benefit of officials, but because they refuse to part with any more of their hard earned pence, turns round upon them and abuse them."

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## THE BRIGG ELECTION.

### A CRITICAL SURVEY.

[BY CAPTAIN R. G. PRETYMAN.]

Captain Pretyman writes us from Castle Bromwich, under date December 13th, as follows:—"I think perhaps a few words from me as regarding the Brigg election may be of interest to your readers. My Lincolnshire home is situated in the Brigg Division, and as soon as possible after the announcement of Mr. Waldy's resignation I hastened there to give Mr. Richardson all the help in my power.

The Brigg Division consists of about 20 parishes, and, like the Woodbridge Division, has a large town (Gainsboro') within its borders and a number of ownerships; but Grimsby only contains some 400 voters, while Ipswich has over 1,000. Of the 20 parishes in the Division some thirteen or fourteen are large villages or small towns with populations of from 1,000 to 500 each. Three of these, Barton, Brigg, and all the smaller villages, are entirely dependent upon agriculture, but two or three, notably Scunthorpe and Frodingham, are of recent growth, and their population is engaged in mining and smelting of the ironstone found in that district. Barton is a great centre of brickmaking, and New Holland and Barnetby, also considerable places, are principally inhabited by railway men. Thus it would be difficult to find a more thoroughly representative constituency, although, of course, the agricultural interest is distinctly the predominating one.

In the centre of the Division lies the great Brocklesby property of the Earl of Yarborough. Lord Yarborough lives entirely at Brocklesby, and both he and Lady Yarborough are very popular among their numerous tenants and those whom they employ. With the exception of Brocklesby there are scarcely any country gentlemen's houses in the Division and occupied by their owners, so the bad times have compelled most of the smaller squires to shut up their houses.

Since 1885 the Division has invariably returned a Liberal or a Radical to Parliament, and the present election shows a loss to the Radicals of 1,300 votes since 1885, and a gain of exactly the same number to the Conservatives.

When I left Brigg, a fortnight before the election, meetings were already being held in every district, and the voters were attending them with praiseworthy diligence, and honestly doing their utmost to judge which was the most deserving of their support.

To attempt to describe my own share in the great battle, I will only say that I addressed either one or two meetings nightly, and rode over upon 200 miles in the dark, mostly through the rain, for a fortnight, and I have not able to do two times as much the result would have been an ample reward.

Never was there a contrast in which purely local matters have less place. The interest of the electors seemed to be entirely centred upon the great questions of the House of Lords, agricultural depression, the Poor-law, the Budget, the Church, Local Option, and Home Rule for Ireland, and it was upon those questions that their discussion was given.

Throughout the contest a fair and friendly hearing was given to both sides, except at one meeting at Caistor, when an organised band of Radical roughs succeeded in breaking up a Unionist meeting.

It was a very great surprise to me to discover that the old blind faith in Radical promises which has carried so many elections and caused so much bitter disappointment, was no longer the prevalent belief in the minds of the agricultural labourers. Wages in Lincolnshire, as in Suffolk, are lower than for years past, and although many labourers are grateful for Parish Councils, they do not see how that measure is to restore prosperity to agriculture, or to cause many more labourers to be employed. On the other hand, they were by no means prepared to vote for the Conservatives party without a thorough understanding of the grounds upon which we claimed their support, and the difficulties that the tendency of modern Radicalism is to drive trade and prosperity from the country.

The efforts of Unionist speakers were entirely directed to this end, and the large audiences they were able to lay before their audiences were fortunately sufficient to turn the balance in the right direction.

As the day of poll drew near it became evident that the fight must be a close one, and both sides exerted themselves to the utmost.

The Radicals now attribute their defeat to the importation of so many Unionist speakers, but two or three days before the poll they boasted that there were 30 Radical "big guns" in the Division, and that they had in all no less than 120 speakers and organizers at work, whereas our side had only 90. Perhaps they may include some of their 120 among our own adherents, as we certainly had the most numerous and the largest of the labourers at the advanced doctrines and strong language of some of the Socialistic Radical speakers of both sexes who invaded the Division. The night before the poll one of these conservative meetings were held, and probably the Radicals had nearly as many present. After the pollbe was over, both sides claimed to have won, and the Radicals were the more confident of the two.

I was present at the counting of the votes, which was most exciting. Mr. Richardson began to form a little ahead from the first, and never lost the lead, although there were a few anxious moments. When the result was announced as a majority of 77 in favour of Mr. Richardson, the cheering was so loud and continuous that the High Sheriff could hardly declare the numbers. A rather unpleasant incident was the hustling of the Rev. W. Savory, who was chairman of the Brigg Board of Guardians, and took an active part in the election upon the Radical side, and who made himself very unpopular by making personal attacks upon Lord Yarborough and Mr. Richardson during the course of the election. Three days before the election was declared, Mr. Savory was summoned by the Government with the Crown living of Healey, in Yorkshire. This was looked upon by the electors as a reward for his exertions in the Radical cause, and much resented by these. On the declaration of the poll he found himself in the street he was attacked by the crowd and escaped with some difficulty through a window. Mr. Richardson was drawn in triumph through the streets of Brigg, and in the evening there was the most enthusiastically crowded at every village through which he passed.

The Radical press account for their defeat by the defection of the Irish Nationalist supporters, and declare that the labourers are still with them. Never did I hear a greater mistake. Had the writer of this table accompanied me home after the poll, and had he seen the happy faces of the labourers passed on the road—had he seen the hats and caps flung into the air as they saw the carriage pass, he might, perhaps, have thought differently. What the labourers think was really well summed up by one of them who said to me on the Saturday night, "Well, Sir, they can't give us the money if they don't get it," and he added almost immediately, "We've got to pull together if we're to get a living at all." Another labourer was heard to say, "Having a school where he had been listening to a Radical parson, I'll be glad to see the road we shall soon have wages down to eighteenpence a day." No! Mr. Radical correspondent! The labourer knows a little more than he did nine years ago, and if I mistake not he will know a little more in the future of fewer members of your party at the next General Election from our agricultural constituencies. One lesson the Radicals may take to heart from this and one or two other elections. In the moment of unexpected defeat, one of their party exclaimed in disgust with the confession that the labourers had let them down, and that their votes did not in any way correspond to their promises. They have yet to discover that the labourer has not for the last nine years been more pleasant than the so-called tyranny of the parson and the squire, and when badgered about his vote is quite capable of applying to the Radicals the principles they seem so careful to instil into him in this.

In conclusion, I will only say that the good feeling engendered between employer and employed by Mr. Richardson's victory is almost beyond belief. It must be seen to be realised. Everything points to our keeping the seat at the General Election by a very increased majority, and if the extraordinary comparison made by Lord Rosebery last night at Devonport may be accepted, viz., that numbers are the wealth, almost all the Poers, almost all the local interests, and almost all the men of education in the country are against the Radical party, Brigg will not be the only election we are likely to win. When our own turn comes in Suffolk—and may it be soon—I think we can give as much on account of ourselves as our friends further north.

P.S.—I have just seen your last Saturday's issue, and must beg entirely to disagree with the two paragraphs in the Brigg letter. The statement that the electors of Brocklesby, Limber and Scawby are overwhelming is not at all borne out by fact, and I have the best reasons for believing the contrary to be the case. I must also strongly protest against your correspondent's statement that the Liberal Party has been financed by Levington. I wish I were as confident of support in all other parishes of the Division as I am of these. I do not think it is in good taste to be constantly holding up before people the benefits they derive from their landlords. The whole scheme of the Brigg election was engineered by

## AGRICULTURAL LETTER.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

In my last letter I touched briefly on the subject of poultry farming as being an industry which might, under careful management, prove an auxiliary medium to the farmer in meeting his financial difficulties. I was certainly both gratified and agreeably surprised in looking through the report of the Royal Commission of Agriculture, treating of farming in the Heathfield District of Sussex. Gratified to find my ideas as to poultry being made to pay, confirmed and acknowledged to be a fact; agreeably surprised to hear that, although we in this part of the world fail to make an agricultural business profitable, yet in the locality referred to the state of things appears otherwise.

To Mr. Rew we are indebted for a very lucid description of the mode by which this industry is carried on. It appears to be divided into two branches, that of the rearer and the fattener, and it is in only comparatively few instances that these two departments are combined.

The rearer's business is to breed and bring up the chickens until they are three or four months old, when he disposes of them to the fattener at prices ranging from 1s. 8d. to 3s. 6d.; each price varying as to the time they are ready for fattening, the early birds, as a rule, fetching the highest price. It is the fattener's aim to place the birds on the market in the shortest time possible, a process which usually takes three or four weeks, at the end of which time they bring home from 2s. to 6s. 6d. each.

To arrive at this early state of maturity, it stands to reason, artificial means must be resorted to, and the system of cramming is brought into force after the birds have been allowed to enjoy life about a fortnight in their new home.

Eight thousand chickens reared on 209 acres gives some idea as to the enormous scale on which this business is worked, and will surely considerably astonish many of our East Anglian farmers, who have, as a rule, scant belief in the profits of the poultry yard. But when the report goes on to say that over a million fat fowls were despatched from Heathfield and Uckfield Stations last year, estimated to be worth from £165,000 to £175,000, it fairly makes one think and think again as to what our old farm hens may be educated up to.

Certainly poultry require a great deal of personal supervision, and where such vast numbers are kept strict cleanliness and regular feeding must be adhered to.

Also the question of the correct strain of fowls to keep is alone a point over which much thought and judgment must be exercised.

Taken as a whole, the meetings held to elect the Parish Councils passed off without much unpleasantness, although, as was to be expected, we hear of elections coming off in some parishes, and, in a few places, arousing the bitter feelings which set men at variance with their neighbours, and once aroused are so difficult to suppress.

What good these Parish Councils are going to do agriculture is a question constantly being asked, and as yet a favourable reply does not seem to be forthcoming. It is certain the public are quite alive to the fact that, for quieting a man, there is nothing like putting him into office. As one reads of the rural districts as described by writers of bygone days, their chief beauty lay in the calm and tranquility that reigned o'er them. It is to be hoped this new Bill will not destroy this charm, and place our English parishes in continued turmoil and strife. It is satisfactory, therefore, to find that the labouring class will be fairly represented on these Councils, as then, and only then, will they understand the difficulties which have to be grasped, and learn "that it is not all gold that glitters."

The fat stock shows tend to remind us of the fast approach of Christmas.

Already the Norwich and Birmingham shows are things of the past, and Smithfield will speedily follow suit. It does seem wonderful, with agriculture at so low an ebb, that these meetings should still retain their prosperous conditions. Yet, if one looks around at such gatherings, how many farmers, pure and simple, does one see? My experience is—very few. It is true there are farmers who patronize Birmingham and Smithfield, but the majority of them, you will find, have other businesses or incomes outside the farming world. One has his pedigree stock business, another his private business in town, and other various connections. Thus he is enabled to take his Christmas outing. It is an undeniable fact that we, as tillers of the soil, must stick close to our calling, and give personal supervision to minutest details; yet on the other hand it will not do for farmers to be always at home. More may be earned in a day by going out judiciously, that is to say in going where information may be obtained of benefit to one's business, than by staying at home.

By spending a few shillings a man can get to London, which to us country folks appears the centre of wealth. Here is an opportunity of looking around, and seeing if there is not some small commodity to be raised and supplied to pay more than wheat growing. He meets with men from all parts of the world, experiences are exchanged, wrinkles picked up to be put into practice at home with good result.

One of the chief features at the Birmingham Show has been the extraordinary success of Mr. Clement Stephenson, with an Aberdeen Angus heifer of his own breeding winner of all the chief prizes. This being the second year the Newcastle breeder has carried off the champion awards, the Elkington Cup, value 100 gns., to the breeder of the best animal, and the Thornley Challenge Cup to the exhibitor of the best animal, they now become his absolute property, this being the second time he has won the Elkington Cup outright. The reserve for both these prizes was her Majesty the Queen's shorthorn steer. Already it is announced that both these 100 gns. cups will be renewed, while a third 100 gns. cup will be presented by Messrs. E. Webb and Sons.

The Woodbridge Agricultural Show this year comes between the two great fat stock shows, and it is gratifying to find this local root and poultry show is still kept going.

The roots as a whole made a very creditable display and Mr. Ling's collection was certainly exceptionally good. There appears to be a feeling that the Committee had this year taken an unwise step in placing a half-crown entrance fee on exhibits from non-members of the Club. This, doubtless, accounts for the lack of entries in the poultry and fancy department, and it is to be hoped that another year the club may see its way clear to reverting to the old entrance fee of one shilling, and perhaps adding a class or two of special interest to our lady visitors.

The Smithfield Show would indeed have contained a grand display of cattle and sheep if it had not been for the restrictions imposed by the Board of Agriculture on account of the outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease.

Although the order was revoked at 12 o'clock on Sunday night, exhibitors from affected areas were not able to get their stock to Islington in time for judging on Monday, and consequently many entries were absent.

We, in Suffolk, feel grateful to such gentlemen as his Grace the Duke of Hamilton, Mr. C. H. Berners, Mr. T. M. Rudland, and Mr. Thos. Smith, Walton, for so successfully representing us at the Metropolitan Cattle Show. Mr. Rudland is to be much congratulated as a new exhibitor, and his pair of Devons, also to be shown at Ipswich, might well be a credit to anyone.

Mr. Thos. Smith's lambs were quite a marvel of early maturity. They were proved to be only 2 lbs. short in the pen of three of the heaviest pure bred lambs in the show; consequently they were successful in carrying off the Breed Cup, value £10, for the best pen of Suffolk or Dorsets in the Show.

Mr. Clement Stephenson here also carried everything before him. His Aberdeen Angus heifer Benton Bride is certainly well worth seeing. She is under three years old, and scales 16½ cwt., but her chief point lies in neatness and lack of offal. The price at which she is reported to have been acquired by Harrod's Stores, in Brompton, is £150. Assuming this to be correct, and taking her weight at what it is given in the official catalogue, she must represent a cost of almost three shillings a pound by the time that she becomes "beef," and her owner must be congratulated upon his success, as, adding her sale price to the prizes she has won, she has returned him £810, less the cost of sending her from her stall in Northumberland to Birmingham and London.

That Suffolk should excel in poultry was rather more than was to be expected. However, we are glad to notice that Mr. J. Dyer Kersey's turkeys came off with honours, and that Captain E. C. Moor won first prize and the silver cup with a strain of Dorking and game fowl, so highly recommended for show purposes.

LIVE STOCK ALMANACS.

We have pleasure in directing the attention of stock breeders to the "Live Stock Journal Almanac for 1895," just published. The book—a somewhat bulky volume—is well edited and illustrated, and it requires but a cursory glance over its pages to realise that the numerous articles it contains on stock rearing of every kind are from the pens of experts, and written with the view of serving agriculturists in a practical manner. An interesting article is devoted to the Suffolk horse. The price of the annual is 1s., and should be in the hands of every farmer.—A good agricultural annual and almanack which is also to hand is the *Mark Lane Express* Almanac. The annual for 1895 comes to us with a good selection of articles, at once interesting and valuable. Agricultural Banks, the latest movement for the benefit of those who work on the land, is treated by Mr. Robert Yerburgh, M.P., in a very complete manner; and the Hon Horace Plunkett, M.P., follows with a well-written paper on the New Agricultural Movement in Ireland. State Loans for Agriculture, too, by Mr. Joseph Darby, also touches on a topic which is at present attracting considerable attention. In dairy matters Mr. H. A. Howman writes on Gloucester cheese. Mr. C. W. Whitehead Cousins writes on Market Garden Farming. There are also articles on Tamworth Pigs and Channel Islands Cattle from well-known breeders, and a number of contributions appear on topical matters. The whole volume is an exceedingly good one, and cannot be surpassed by anything at the price at which it is published—6d.

## FRIENDLY SOCIETY NOTES.

[SPECIALLY CONTRIBUTED.]

Superannuation and old age pensions are again occupying the minds of friendly society leaders, statesmen, and social reformers. The Grand Master of the Manchester Unity has dealt with the question at some length, but even G.M. Diprose has failed to solve the old age pension problem to his own and other people's satisfaction. Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, of Birmingham fame, has also latterly devoted much attention to the subject, and his latest utterances with regard thereto are certainly optimistic. But how is the money to be raised? That is the burning question of the hour; and as Bro. Diprose very wisely remarked—speaking on behalf of his own order—superannuation cannot be provided unless the recipients provide for it themselves in early life.

Friendly societies have wisely resented State interference—wisely because the interposition of the State is not justified until the State itself shows that it can do the work better than the existing organisations. But we fear that eventually State aid must be invoked unless the great friendly orders can show us more tangible results than at present. The new lodge recently opened at Ipswich will be a valuable object lesson in superannuation; for just in proportion as the membership increases we shall be able to infer that there is a disposition on the part of the workers to make that provision for themselves which the State seeks to provide for them.

Mr. Chamberlain's latest proposal is that the State should enter into partnership with the friendly societies, each partner providing half a pension of 5s. per week at 65. Whether 60 or 65 should be the limit is a detail which requires serious consideration. It would be necessary for the friendly societies to separate their superannuation funds and invest them in Government securities. That lends itself to certain objections, but at the same time it would be a State guarantee to the societies, accepted for the purpose. The societies have, however, got a big concession by Mr. Chamberlain's latest plan. It remains to be seen how they will accept the proposal.

"The Social Aspect of Oddfellowship" in the current number of the "Oddfellows' Magazine," by P.P.G.M. J. Jones, of Cockermouth, is a treatise which Oddfellows may read with pleasure and profit; as also a retrospect of the Manchester Unity, and a further instalment of the extra prize essay.

National old age pensions is also discussed in the "Foresters' Miscellany," and in the analysis which Bro. Barnes, of Campbelltown gives, the progress of the Order may be obtained in a succinct form.

The Friendly Society Almanacs for 1895 are making their appearance as usual in artistic form. The sale of the A.O.F. calendar is estimated at 120,000 copies, and we are told that the Manchester Unity will be equally numerous.

£133,529 3s. 9d.—an enormous sum of money—was the amount earned in interest by the A.O.F. during 1893, showing an average rate of £3 12s. 8½d. per cent., and an equivalent to a contribution of 4s. 1½d. per member. The total amount of the A.O.F.'s superannuation fund at the beginning of 1893 was £67 5s. 1d., at the end of the year £123 3s. 7d.

A Norfolk contemporary has some very complimentary remarks to make concerning the Ipswich district of the Manchester Unity, and the recent opening of the "Orford White" Lodge in Bramford Road. "If Ipswich (says the writer) can rouse itself to accommodate suburban districts, why not Norwich?"

We understand that county conferences for both the A.O.F. and the Manchester Unity are in contemplation for East Anglia. Lancs, Cheshire, Shropshire, Staffordshire, Derbyshire, Yorkshire, and Kent have their conferences in connection with the M.U.O.O.F., and similar gatherings of the A.O.F. are known as the Yorkshire Federation, Midland Federation, Northern Counties' Federation, and Scottish Federation. Most of these bodies meet twice a year, each having the common object of considering the general welfare of their respective orders in the counties they represent. Being, as they are, a kind of intermediary between the district meetings and those of the A.M.C. or H.C.M., they are generally productive of valuable suggestions and interchange of ideas. Similar gatherings in the eastern counties would, we feel sure, serve an equally good purpose.

A familiar figure in the ranks of Scottish Oddfellowship has been removed by death. This was Bro. Geo. Findlay, of the "St. Marnock" Lodge, Kilmarnock, who was installed in the year 1844, and had been in office since the third night of his initiation. Steady, plodding and unambitious, he was guardian of his lodge for no less a period than 43 years, during which time he proposed the initiation of 713 members; while he was well acquainted with the whole of the 1,200 odd members which Royal "St. Marnock" boasts. Bro. Findlay was 76 years of age, a widower, and leaves a grown up family. He will long be missed, says a contemporary, from the Oddfellows' ranks.

An enjoyable smoking concert in connection with the "Fountain of Friendship" and the "Albert Edward" Lodges of the Manchester Unity was held at the Sea Horse Inn, Colchester, on Monday, the proceeds being devoted to a fund for the establishment of a female Oddfellows' Lodge. Mr. A. O. Stopes presided in the absence of the Mayor (Mr. C. E. Egerton-Green). An excellent programme comprised pianoforte selections by Mr. H. Gilbert, and songs, recitations, &c., by Master Arthur Ashby and Messrs. Massingham, Taylor, Shiers, James Farren, Band-Sergt. Nightingale, Sterne, Rogers, Sergt. Spicer, Reilly, H. W. Farren, F. Chapman, Millican, Popps, Bagg, and Martin. A feature of the programme was a whistling solo by Bandsman Eyle, of the Northampton Regiment.

The Loyal "Clarence" Lodge of Oddfellows at Halesworth held their annual meeting on Monday evening last at the Swan Hotel, Bro. A. J. Orford, N.G., presiding. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Bro. G. H. Parker, N.G.; Bro. J. F. Button, V.G.; Bro. G. H. Blackmore, elective secretary; Bros. S. Calver and L. G. Warrell, auditors; Bro. G. King, sick steward; and Bro. H. Smith, tyler. The two first-named were afterwards installed into their respective offices by Past Grand Baldry. The Management Committee were re-elected, Bro. A. J. Orford, G.M., being chosen to fill a vacancy, the same brother being also appointed to represent the Lodge at the annual district meeting at Norwich in January. Bro. King suggested, and it was resolved, to start a benevolent fund in connection with the Lodge. P.G.M. Bro. Baldry again introduced the old-age pension question, giving a full explanation of the plan adopted by the "Orwell" Lodge (Ipswich), and after a lengthy and interesting discussion, it was agreed as an experiment to adopt the tables for securing superannuation, it being optional on the part of old and new members whether or not they subscribed to those tables.

The Independent Order of Good Templars is not, it would appear, in a very flourishing condition in the county of Essex. At the 22nd anniversary of the Chelmsford Lodge on Tuesday it was stated that at its inauguration the Lodge numbered 15 members, all told; now there were 40. During the same period over 1,100 Lodges and 200 public meetings had been held, while some 1,300 members had been on the books from time to time. It was unfortunate, however, to note that the Lodge, once one of the strongest in Essex, was now one of the weakest.

Some time has elapsed since such a noteworthy gathering of Oddfellows assembled in Bury St. Edmund's as that which took place last week, and the occasion was one which demonstrated in a marked degree the unity which prevails amongst the Lodges in the town. With the laudable desire to give a helping hand onward to the weakest Lodge in the Borough, the other three Lodges combined to pay the "Volunteer" members a visit, and made the event such a successful one that it cannot fail to have a beneficial effect in inducing others to assist in promoting the feeling of good-fellowship which already exists.

Not to be outdone in a display of kindly feeling, nearly half a hundred members of the "Beacon" Lodge (Newmarket) supplemented the total of Bury visitors, making the attendance several hundreds strong. Throughout the evening the speeches showed that with all the desire existed to forward in every possible way the Manchester Unity of Oddfellows generally, and the local Lodges particularly.

It was gratifying to see a number of honorary members amongst the company, their attendance illustrating the interest which they feel in the cause of friendly societies, and the speeches of Lord Chelsea, M.P., Mr. Malcolm, and Mr. Lake, cannot but have a favourable effect in still further uniting in friendly feeling the honorary members and the great body of those who have joined for financial benefits. Both sections have in view the one great aim of benefiting their fellow-men, and although the worldy position of the two classes of members is necessarily widely different, under the banner of Oddfellowship they meet on common ground.

On account of continued failing health, Dr. W. P. Mills, of Museum Street, has found it necessary—much to the regret of the brethren of various Orders in Ipswich—to resign the offices he held in connection with Forestry and Oddfellowship. Since the year 1849 Dr. Mills has acted as treasurer to the Ipswich district A.O.F., and he had also charge of the funds of Court 2105, "Pride of Suffolk" since its opening on April 1st, 1846; while for very many years Dr. Mills was the respected surgeon to the "Pride of Suffolk" Court. He has also intimated his intention of resigning the treasurership of the "Briton's Pride" lodge of the Manchester Unity at the end of the present month. During his long and active public career Dr. Mills has rendered valuable service to the friendly society cause, and the circumstances which have brought about his retirement cannot but be received with the greatest possible regret.

The Juvenile Branch "Star of Bramford" of the Eastern Star Provident Association was opened at the Cock Inn, Bramford, on Friday evening under favourable auspices. Nineteen members were admitted on Tuesday evening by Bros. W. Diaper (secretary), H. Garnham (chairman), and other officers. Six other members were also proposed. This is a very good start, and gives promise of a prosperous branch. Messrs. J. R. Staddon and W. J. Staddon are the lodge surgeons.

## WOMAN'S WAYS AND WORK.

[SPECIALLY CONTRIBUTED.]

The late Princess Bismarck had a horror of any woman who was "New," political, or advanced. She loved simplicity, and maintained that a woman's position was in the home and nowhere else. She had also a rooted antipathy to the enormous sleeves so fashionable of late.

Christmas draweth very near, and the time has come to think about decorations for our churches. The custom of decorating churches and houses at Christmas is derived from very ancient practices. We are told by an old writer that in the time when Druidism existed the houses were decked with evergreens in December, that the sylvan spirits might repair to them, and remain unnipped with frost and cold winds until a milder season had renewed the foliage of their darling abodes.

The spirit that has led people to decorate their places of worship at the great festivals of their religion has probably been much the same in pagan and Christian times, namely the wish to do honour to the object of their worship.

In old Church calendars Christmas Eve is marked "Templa exornantur," *Churches are decked*. Holly, ivy, evergreens, and even yew are admitted as fit materials for church decorations, but misletoe is strictly prohibited; it had so important a place in the pagan rites of Druidism, that it is supposed never to have found a place in Christian churches, except by mistake or through ignorance.

Some churches being dark and sombre need something white to show up the green and red of the conventional holly and evergreens; for this purpose—though we are not, as a rule, in favour of what may be termed artificial effects—the following recipe may be useful:—Into a pail of thin whitening dip branches of furze untill well covered, shake them slightly to prevent lumps, and allow them to dry. The result will be a soft grey white appearance that mixes in prettily with the darker evergreens. Clumps of ivy berries may be whitened in the same way, and used sparingly with good effect.

When white flowers are not available a white cross may be made as follows:—Cover the woodwork with pure white cotton wool (this is only for a foundation, not to show). Then cover the cross with furze, treated as described above, sprays of broom dipped in alum and water, polypodium fern sprays frosted, and white Cape blossoms.

The great thing to aim at in church decorations is, as a rule, lightness—only here and there is a heavy wreath effective. Follow out the architectural lines of the building, and do not smother delicate carving. Avoid the use of cotton wool and red and yellow everlasting flowers.

People who live in the country, with plenty of flowers around them, think little of the hardships that are encountered by some of those who help to supply the inhabitants of London with floral treasures. The trade in cut flowers in London alone amounts to £5,000 a day. The "flower girls," as they are called by courtesy, many of them being middle-aged mothers of families, have a hard life; to buy their flowers at the cheapest rate they have to be at Covent Garden between four and six in the morning. All day, in the heat and glare of the summer sun, or the piercing cold of the winter's wind, they stand in the streets to sell their wares.

Sympathizers will be glad to know that a Flower Girls' Mission exists, of which the Earl of Aberdeen is president, and which has its headquarters in a room in Lockhart's Cocoa Rooms in Covent Garden. There the girls are warmed and fed and helped to battle against the temptations by which they are beset.

A contemporary which lately gave us the recipe of the Queen's favourite soup, now gives one of the bannocks to which she is also partial:—"Put one lb. of medium oatmeal into a basin, add enough rich cream to moisten the meal and make it adhere when squeezed together, but it must on no account be made moister than will secure this condition. Divide into three portions, roll each into a ball, and knead them into nicely-shaped round cakes about one-eighth of an inch thick. Cut each round into four, six, or eight triangles, transfer them with a broad-bladed knife to a hot girdle over a clear but not too hot fire, and cook each side for about ten minutes."

We quote the following lines from a poem in the "Spinning-Wheel," that our readers may judge whether the sentiments are correct. The poem is entitled "First Love," and dedicated to the New Man:—

"How does a woman love? Once, no more
Though life for ever its loss deplore;
Deep in sorrow or deep in sin,
One King reigneth her heart within.
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How does a man love? Once for all,
The sweetest voices of life may call;
. . . . . . .
Wandering, toiling, asleep, awake,
Though souls may madden, or weak hearts break,
Better than wife, or child, or pelf,
Once and forever, he loves—himself."

Ah, well! each sex likes to have a hit at the other sometimes. If the faults of both sides were summed up, no doubt there would be six of one and half a dozen of the other. We should find the world slightly dull without men, and we are quite sure that the men would get on very badly without us!

Messrs. Corder and Sons have this week begun their display of evening gowns and all the pretty accessories belonging thereto. It is a great boon to be able to see the effect of the different colours by gaslight, as some colours take such a different hue at night to what they do in the day, that an evening gown chosen by daylight is apt to cause disappointment.

In looking at the gowns displayed by Messrs. Corder, what struck one at once was that skirts are much more trimmed this winter, also that the way the trimming is arranged is the revival of an old fashion, one that was in vogue at the time of the marriage of the Princess of Wales. The trimming, whatever it may be, is arranged in festoons round the edge of the skirt, and reaches, in some cases, nearly to the knee.

The materials shown are varied both in texture and colour. Lovely brocades, notably a cream ground with delicate sprays of lilac, another with pale tinted guelder roses, another with a shot scaley effect, and a splendid black brocade with a conventional design. Crepons are in all colours, and both plain and striped. A material one is glad to see once more fashionable, is the Nottingham net, both plain and spotted; the latter wears particularly well, and cleans beautifully. The beaded trimmings this season are made with the small glass beads formerly used to adorn bags and purses. A bright glistening effect is obtained without the use of tinsel, which is advantageous.

We will briefly describe some of the prettiest gowns. A pink net had short puffed sleeves and prettily draped bodice caught at intervals with baby ribbons. A white spotted net was made up over glossy white satin. A plain white net gown over white satin had five graduated strips of white gold-sequined satin ribbon, about three inches wide, coming from the waist on the skirt in front, each strip being edged with delicate gold passementerie and finishing in a point; the skirt was finished at the hem with a narrow net ruche edged with gold. Satin ribbon and gold touches appeared on the bodice.

An extremely pretty white net gown had a festooned flounce of tulle round the skirt, beaded with sprays of tiny pink cluster roses. The same roses were round the berthe and on the shoulders.

A pink gown had two 8-inch flounces of cream lace festooned round the skirt, each flounce headed with a tiny pink silk ruche. A black brocade had a panel of net embroidered in clear white beads. The design for a very handsome evening gown is shown. The material is to be white satin. The satin on the bodice is swathed round the figure, showing in front a breast plate of turquoise velvet covered with rich passementerie. The sleeves are much draped and hang long from the elbows. Over each shoulder is placed a little sable, the head looking plaintively forward.

For those who admire the fashion of having the bodice different to the skirt, was a green crepon dress with white silk blouse. Two evening blouses of different types caught our notice: one a high white pongee with a pattern of pale blue sprays, was trimmed with very pretty cream gimp and had pale blue satin band and collar; the other a low-necked short-sleeved blouse fussily made of pink net or crepon. Fans, flowers for the hair, and dainty finishing touches for the toilette are to be seen amongst the gowns, and a corner is given to attractive garments for the little ones of various ages.

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## BISHOP OF THETFORD AT IPSWICH.

STIRRING ADDRESS ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Bishop of Thetford has every reason to feel encouraged at the heartiness of his reception on his first appearance in East Suffolk. That the clergy and laity sympathise with him in his new work and intend to rally round him was shown alike by the crowded congregations at St. Mary-le-Tower Church, Ipswich, on Sunday, and by the representative attendance in the Council Chamber on the Monday afternoon. The cause for which he appealed was home missions as undertaken by the Additional Curates' Society, and drawing on his own experiences at Newcastle he showed very forcibly how helpful the organisation is in dealing with the masses of population. Mr. Chas. H. Berners presided over the meeting on Monday, and expressed satisfaction at the large assembly, the room being full. He was especially glad to welcome the Bishop of Thetford, for he had always heard him very highly spoken of in the North as a most energetic, hard-working clergyman, and there could be no doubt that his assistance to the present Bishop of Norwich would be felt all over the Diocese. (Cheers.) Mr. Berners went on to commend the Society for three reasons.—The first was that it worked where it was most needed. It rendered valuable aid in populous parished and overgrown suburbs in large towns, where the incumbent was very much overworked and very much underpaid. The second reason was that the Society helped those who helped themselves, and the third was that it was a Church of England Society, and did the work of the Church of England, and as far as the Church of England was concerned had no party bias. (Cheers.) Its usefulness was limited only by its want of means, and he hoped that all present would bear that fact in mind. (Hear, hear.)—The Rev. J. S. Gilbert, of London, secretary of the Society, briefly described its aims and scope. Although concerned principally with the urban population it gave help to some country places, which on account of their straggling nature or for other causes needed its attention. It acted in downright loyalty to Church principles and nothing else. During all the time he had been secretary he had not been asked a single question by the Committee as to the views of any incumbent applying for aid. (Cheers.) It provided

NEARLY ONE THOUSAND ADDITIONAL CLERGYMEN,

but he regretted to say that the number was 170 less than it was at this time last year. He should have been especially glad if Church people had given them enough money to make it possible for them to accede to every fair application coming from places like those in Wales, and then he thought they would be able to prove to the Welsh people that the efficiency of the Church was her best *raison d'etre*, for, without touching on politics, he might say that they all desired that the Church work should be efficiently done, and it could be done only if there was a sufficiency of means. With regard to the support given to the Society by the Norwich Diocese, he was pleased to be able to tell them that the Ladies' Home Mission Association was fourth on the list for England, St. Albans being first, London next, and Oxford third, with the Diocese of Norwich next, and only a few pounds difference. He was sanguine enough to believe that by the end of the year Oxford would have to lower her colours to Norwich, and in that connection he especially eulogised the work of the President of the Association, the Countess of Stradbroke. (Cheers.) The county of Suffolk raised £428, while Norfolk raised only £145. He regretted that there were in the diocese 705 parishes in which not a word was said by the clergy in aid of the Society.—The Bishop of Thetford, who was loudly cheered, said he could testify, from personal experience, to the good the Society was doing in the North. When he heard of this gathering being arranged, he thought that Ipswich was not quite the best centre in which to hold a meeting for the A.C.S., for that town was very advantageously circumstanced as compared with many others. For a population of about 60,000 they had sixteen or seventeen churches, which gave an average of 4,000 people for each parish. That seemed to him a luxury to which for a long time he had been a perfect stranger. When the Bishop of Newcastle first entered his diocese he found parishes containing 15,000, 16,000, 18,000, and 25,000 persons. For a parish of 30,000 there was but one clergyman and one small church. That state of things had been altered to a certain extent. More workers and more churches had been obtained, but concurrently with the growth of this effort the population had kept on increasing, and thus the districts were really not very much better off. Having dwelt on the need, and pointed out how the Society endeavoured to meet it, the Bishop said he thought after all that

IPSWICH WAS THE VERY PLACE

in which to hold a meeting of this kind, for the people who were so well ministered to must feel to sympathise with their brothers less happily circumstanced. He did not wish to suggest for a moment that in the districts he had named the Church was the only spiritual and Christian agency. He thanked God there were other agencies at work. If it were not for them the people would be far worse off than they are at present, but after taking account of all effort, there were an enormous number of people in this country who were untouched by any kind of Christian agency or influence. The explanation was to be found in the exodus from the villages to the large towns. Men went with their wives and children to great towns like Newcastle in search of employment, and they located themselves in a back street in one of those huge parishes he had indicated. He (Dr. Lloyd) wished that every country incumbent would bear in mind not to let any one leave his parish without finding where he was going to, and sending a letter to the clergyman of the town parish in which the man was going to live. (Hear, hear.) He deplored that in any instances this was not done, and the parish priest, not having time for a house-to-house visitation, was unable to see these people. The people had been accustomed to a call from the clergyman, and not having one they lost touch of religion. One of the most lamentable proofs of the truth of what he had been speaking he gathered when he first went to Newcastle from the register of burials at the Cemetery. A terrible percentage of the burials were without any form of religious service. There was absolutely no record beyond that of the name. If they had been Dissenters they would have been attended by their ministers, but the keepers told him that relatives came there with coffins, put them in the ground and went away. That disclosed a state of things which he supposed existed in other large towns, and it was not because of any antagonism to Christianity—these people were not misbelievers, they were

UNBELIEVERS OWING TO CIRCUMSTANCES.

(Hear, hear.) A fact like that spoke far more eloquently than anything he could ever hope to say, and yet he hoped it would not be supposed for a moment that these people were utterly bad. No one he had ever met was utterly bad. He had never met anyone who had not some inkling of better things. Many of these people who were outside the influence of Christianity could out of their natural goodness—and natural goodness was God's own goodness—read a lesson to those in that room, which they would do well to learn. The Bishop here related the story of a poor little girl who when dying in the Newcastle Infirmary asked to be allowed to see a little lame boy who used to go about on a crutch selling papers. She was asked why she wanted to see him, and she replied, "I have lived a wild life myself. I got down low and nobody seemed to care for me, nor did I care for myself. For some time I was without food, and I used to get my lodgings where I could. I was very ill, and that boy did me more kindness than any human being on God's earth ever has done. He was no kith and kin of mine, but he found me one day on a doorstep, and he went to Lockhart's Cocoa Rooms and got me breakfast, and he did that for six days running, and for three days out of the six he found me lodging." Well, he (Dr. Lloyd) enquired into the history of that boy, and found that at the age of seven he had been left by both his parents, and had had to gain his livelihood from that time until he was thirteen years of age selling papers, lodging in one of the worst houses in the place. If with such a bringing up there could spring from his life germs of goodness such as showed themselves in his beautiful charity to that poor forlorn, friendless girl, what might he not have been if he had been brought up under the influence of a Christian home, and surrounded by the blessings of a Christian education? Coming to the practical object of the meeting—to raise money—Dr. Lloyd said he was aware that those present had many demands made upon them, and that their energies were limited and their purses still more limited. He thought the real fact was that there were too few givers, and that the few givers were expected to give to everything. If they could only find out a way of

ENLARGING THE NUMBER OF THE GIVING POPULATION,

there was plenty of money still in England to supply their wants. Every year in England 140 millions of pounds were spent in what he would call for argument's sake a harmless luxury, and a great deal of the strong drink taken in England was by no means harmless. He had in his mind's eye a small public-house situate in a low street in one of the poorest parishes in Newcastle, and frequented only by labouring people. He had the curiosity to find out what the takings at that public-house were, and in one week they were £94. That, he believed, was far more than the whole amount collected in the churches and chapels in that week. He rejoiced that in the Diocese of Norwich they had such an excellent Society as the Ladies' Home Mission Association, with such an enthusiastic president as the Countess of Stradbroke. (Cheers.) This Society was the handmaid of the parent Society, and he hoped it would gain even more workers. If there were any lady present who had not yet taken an active part in Church work, and felt unable to take up district visiting or Sunday School teaching, she might find her opportunity here. Women were far braver than men. There were no beggars like ladies. He urged ladies to join the Association, and to have the moral courage and pluck to seek aid from those who at present give to nothing. The two requisites to make a really successful worker were an enthusiasm fired by the love of God, and a sanctified common sense which would understand where to go, where to speak, how to speak and when to speak. In conclusion Dr. Lloyd repeated a story of a schoolboy, who used to render to his mother detailed accounts of his expenditure. His mother was very much gratified on seeing the frequent recurrence of the item, "S.P.G. 6d"—(laughter)—and told the boy so. The lad, however, very honestly replied that he could not lay claim to helping the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, the letters stood for "sundries, principally grub." (Loud laughter.) The moral of that story was, that people spent a great deal of money on sundries, principally luxuries, which might be applied to better objects.—The Rev. Dr. Davies followed with a brief but forcible address in support of the Society, remarking that the best Church defence was Church work.—On the motion of Canon Bulstrode, seconded by the Rev. R. V. Barker, of Bramford, a vote of thanks was passed to the Mayor for the use of the Council Chamber.—Dr. Bartlet, in reply, proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Berners for presiding. Some people (he said) gave money and others work for their Church. Mr. Berners did both, and therein set an excellent example. (Applause.)—The Rev. Ythil A. Barrington, referring to the large attendance, said he thought it should be known that the meeting had been promoted by the Ladies' Home Mission Association. The Countess of Stradbroke was among the attendants.

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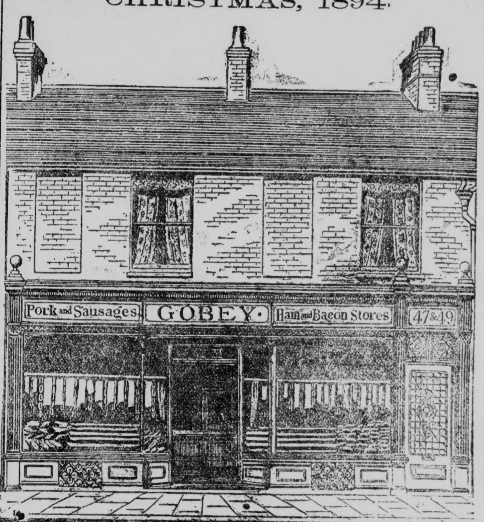


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ROBERT BOND, Secretary.

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### NOTICE.

**Foreshore and Bed of Bawdsey Haven at Felixstowe Ferry.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application has been received by the Board of Trade (to whom by The Crown Lands Act 1888, the management of the rights and interests of the Crown in the foreshores of the United Kingdom has been transferred) from the Felixstowe Golf Club, for permission to construct protective works against encroachments by the Sea on the West side of Bawdsey Haven close to the Coast Guard Station, and also near the Old Battery, near Eastend Farm.

All Persons interested are to take notice that, 21 days after this date, the Board of Trade will proceed to consider the application, and in the meantime they will receive any objections which may be made thereto.

(Signed) C. CECIL TREVOR, Assistant Secretary.

Board of Trade,
Harbour Department,
15th day of December, 1894.

### SUFFOLK QUARTER SESSIONS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the next GENERAL QUARTER SESSIONS of the Peace for the County of Suffolk will be held at the COUNTY HALL, IPSWICH, on *Friday*, the 4th day of January next, at Half-past Ten o'clock in the Forenoon, when, by adjournment, at the SHIRE-HALL, BURY ST. EDMUND'S, on *Tuesday*, the 8th day of January, at Half-past Eleven o'clock in the Forenoon, for the transaction of Civil Business and the trial of Appeals and Prisoners.

A. TOWNSHEND COBBOLD, Deputy Clerk of the Peace.

County Hall, Ipswich,
13th December, 1894.

### BOROUGH OF IPSWICH.

**ALTERATION OF MARKET DAY.**

IN compliance with the wishes of the majority of the Merchants and Traders of Ipswich, I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that Tuesday, the 25th December, being Christmas Day, Ipswich Corn and Cattle Markets will be held on MONDAY, the 24th DECEMBER.

Dated this 28th November, 1894.

J. H. BARTLET, Mayor.

Town Hall, Ipswich.

### PLOMESGATE UNION.

THE Guardians of the Poor of the Plomesgate Union invite Tenders for Contracting to Supply the Relieving Officers' Districts with Flour, and the Workhouse at Wickham Market with the following Provisions for the next Three Months, viz., Bread, Meat, Cheese, and Margarine.

Samples, with Tenders, must be delivered at the Porter's Lodge, at the Workhouse, before half-past ten o'clock on the morning of Monday, the 24th day of December.

Printed forms of Tender, which only will be received, may be obtained of the Governor at the Workhouse.

By order of the Board,
CHARLES H. READ,
Clerk to the Guardians.

Board Room, Wickham Market,
3rd December, 1894.

### WOODBRIDGE UNION.

CONTRACTS.

THE Guardians, at their meeting on Thursday, December 20th, 1894, at 10 o'clock, will receive Tenders (sealed and endorsed) to supply the Workhouse of Nacton, from December 25th, 1894, to March 25th, 1895, with Bread, Grocery, Meat, Tinned ditto, Pork, Wine, Spirits, Ale, Porter, Maize Meal, Oats, Bran, and Straw; also to supply the three Relieving Officers' Districts with Seconds Flour for 13 weeks, commencing December 26th, 1894.

Forms of Tender may be had of the Clerk.

All articles to be delivered at the Workhouse on Friday mornings by 11 o'clock.

All accounts relating to the Workhouse for the current quarter to be sent to the Master, and all other accounts to me on or before December 24th inst.

GEO. E. WALKER, Clerk.

Board Room, Woodbridge,
December 6th, 1894.

### IPSWICH UNION.

ST. JOHN'S HOME.

THE Guardians of the Ipswich Union are prepared to receive applications for the appointment of Medical Officer to St. John's Home. The salary will be £30 per annum, all drugs being provided by the Guardians. Applications, with testimonials, are to be sent to me, of whom further particulars may be obtained, on or before THURSDAY, the 20th day of December next.

A. F. VULLIAMY, Clerk to the Guardians.

Ipswich,
14th December, 1894.

### HOXNE UNION.

THE Guardians of this Union will, on MONDAY, the 24th December next, receive Tenders for supplying good Seconds Flour at per sack for out-relief for each of the Relieving Officers' Districts, for three months, from the 31st December, 1894.

Forms of Tender may be had at the Union Workhouse, at Stradbroke. Those containing a fractional part of a penny will not be accepted.

Tenders to be deposited in Tender Box and samples at the Union Workhouse before ten o'clock in the Forenoon of the 24th December next.

BILLS.

All Bills and Demands against the Union must be sent to the Workhouse not later than THURSDAY, the 3rd of January, and if found correct will be paid at the Board Room at two o'clock in the afternoon of the 8th January next, when proper stamped receipts will be required.

By order of the Board.
NORTON BURROUGHS GARRARD, Clerk.

Board Room, Stradbroke,
10th December, 1894.

### BOSMERE AND CLAYDON UNION.

CONTRACT FOR SUPPLIES.

THE Guardians will, on FRIDAY, the 21st day of December instant, be prepared to receive TENDERS for supplying the Workhouse at Barham for the ensuing quarter with Bread made of good seconds flour, in 4lb. loaves; good Steer Beef (without bone) at per stone; and Wether Mutton at per lb., in sides or quarters, or such quantities as may be ordered; and Beef Suet at per lb. The meat to be delivered by nine o'clock on Tuesday and Friday mornings, and the bread by 11 o'clock on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday mornings.

Tenders, under sealed covers, must be sent to my office not later than four o'clock p.m., on Thursday, the 20th day of December instant.

By order,
SAMUEL GOODING, Solicitor,
Clerk to the Guardians.

Tower Street, Ipswich,
11th December, 1894.

### V. D. COLCHESTER'S COALS.

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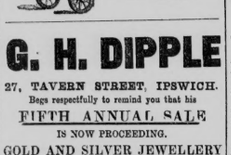


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| EPERNAY CHAMPAGNE | 42/- |
| CARTE BLANCHE CHAMPAGNE | 56/- |
| FINEST OLD SCOTCH WHISKEY, Proof, Very Choice | 44/- |
| FINEST OLD SCOTCH WHISKEY 10 U.p. | 40/- |
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| Do. Do. 10 U.p. | 40/- |

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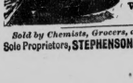

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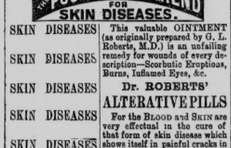


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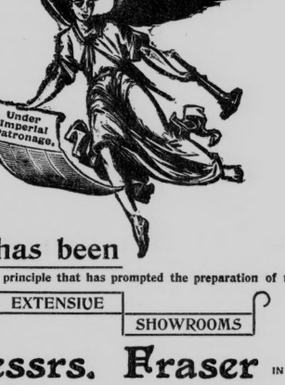


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